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Qクラスの仲間がキミに挑戦！

チャレンジQ 第4弾

出題者／カズマ

謎の紙を眺めるカズマ。あぶり出しではないみたいだぞ!!

Qクラスの極秘情報をキャッチしろ!!

ある日のこと。ボクはDDSの学園内で封筒をひろったんだ。中には、妙な文字が書かれたメモのような紙が1枚と、何も書かれていない紙が1枚、入っていた。持ち主を示すような手がかりは何ひとつなかったよ。他の場所ならいざしらず、ここは天下のDDS。何か意味があるんじゃないかと思って、持ち帰って調べてみた。すると！ なんと!! ボクたちQクラスに関する重大な情報が、ある方法で記されていたんだ!! キミにも、ボクがひろった2枚の紙と同じものを用意したよ。謎を解明することができるかな？

カズマがひろった封筒の中身は何だったのか？
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TO SOLVE THE KAMIKAKUSHI RIDDLE THAT'S BEEN HAPPENING CONTINUOUSLY, KYU AND HIS FRIENDS ARE DIVIDED INTO TWO GROUPS...

RYU AND MEG WENT THROUGH A LONG TUNNEL TO GO TO KAMI-KAKUSHI VILLAGE

ONE OF THE FIVE TV CREWS THAT IS STAYING THERE, AZEGAWA RIO, SUDDENLY DISAPPEARED AND WAS THOUGHT TO HAVE HAD A MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE*

THEN, HER DEAD BODY WAS FOUND...!

BY THE ORDER FROM DDS, KYU AND HIS FIVE FRIENDS WENT TO A VILLAGE THAT IS LOCATED FAR AWAY IN MOUNTAINS

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SUDDENLY DISAPPEARED AND LEFT A VIDEO THAT SHOWS AS IF HE WAS SWALLOWED INTO THE SPACE

UWAAAAA!

BUT, DIRECTOR ANZAI KUNIHIKO WHO WAS IN THAT VILLAGE...

IS IT A TRICK?

OR REALLY A KAMIKAKUSHI...?

*TRANSLATORS NOTE: KAMIKAKUSHI MEANS MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE

THE VIDEO IS A TRICK...!

WITH THIS, THE CULPRIT LURED DIRECTOR ANZAI

AND KILLED HIM IN A WAY THAT MADE IT LOOK AS IF HE WAS SWALLOWED INTO SPACE.

THAT'S THE TRICK OF THE DEADLY KAMIKAKUSHI MURDER!

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BESIDES, ABOVE THIS CRIME SCENE, THERE ISN'T A TREE OR A HIGH BUILDING THAT CAN BE USED TO PULL A HUMAN...

THEN, HOW COULD HE BE SWALLOWED INTO SPACE!?

B... BUT, HOW DO YOU DO KNOW THAT IT'S A TRICK?

DO YOU THINK AN ADULT HUMAN CAN LIFT HIM THAT EASILY?

INSIDE THE RECORDING, IT SEEMED AS IF DIRECTOR ANZAI WAS PULLED BY SOME HUGE FORCE INTO SPACE...!

THE ANSWER TO MEG'S FIRST QUESTION IS IN THIS VIDEO!

BUT THE ANSWER DOESN'T LIE IN THE VIDEO! IT'S THE SOUND!!

UU...

IT SOUNDS LIKE A MACHINE...

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SOUND...? YOU MEAN... THE SOUND WHEN DIRECTOR ANZAI WAS FLYING TO THE AIR?

I UNDER-STAND RYU!

BINGO! THIS IS THE ANSWER TO YOUR FIRST QUESTION!

THE KILLER WAS USING A TRACTOR

TO LIFT DIRECTOR ANZAI UPWARDS!

THIS...

THIS IS THE SOUND OF TRACTOR'S ENGINE!

AMAZING, MEG.

THE CULPRIT MUST HAVE ALSO CALCULATED WHERE ANZAI WOULD STOP TO AVOID THE TREE OBSTACLE!

THAT MEANS THERE MUST BE A PLACE WHERE THE CULPRIT TIED A WIRE TO PULL HIM WITH!

AND THE STACK OF BRANCHES IN THAT FIELD WAS PART OF THE CULPRIT'S TRAP...!

IF THE WIRE IS PULLED,

THAT STAKE IS USED TO GUARD SO THAT THE CIRCLED WIRE WOULD STAY ABOVE THE LAND

THE CIRCLE WILL TIGHTEN, THE STAKE WILL FREE ITSELF, AND ANZAI WILL BE LIFTED UPWARDS.

THE VIDEO RECORDS THE STAKE WHERE THE WIRE IS TIED.

MEG, DO YOU KNOW THE ANCIENT INDIAN ROPE TRICK?

INDIAN ROPE!?

WHAT DID HE DO SO HE COULD LIFT THE VICTIM UPWARDS?

THEN WHERE DID THE CULPRIT LIFT HIM FROM?

BUT, RYU... NOW THAT WE KNOW HOW TO LIFT A PERSON UPWARDS,

BUT THAT DOESN'T EXPLAIN HOW THIS TRICK CAN BE DONE...

YES... I'VE HEARD OF IT,

EVEN CHILDREN COULD CLIMB THAT ROPE!

IT'S THE TRICK THAT MAKES THE ROPE TRAVEL UPWARD LIKE A COBRA LIFTING ITS HEAD

HAS THE SAME PRINCI-PAL AS THE INDIAN ROPE TRICK.

I THINK, THIS KAMIKAKUSHI...

EH?!?

ACTUALLY FROM THIS INFORMATION, I CAN DRAW A CONCLUSION.

YEAH...!

BUT, IF YOU OBSERVE THE SURROUNDINGS CLOSELY...

THERE IS NO TREE OR BUILDING THAT CAN BE USED FOR THAT TRICK

IT'S TRUE THAT IN THIS CRIME SCENE

IN THE MIDDLE OF THE TWO ELECTRIC POLE, THAT ARE EACH 10 METRES IN HEIGHT,

THERE'S AN EMPTY SPACE THAT IS AROUND FIVE METRES WIDE...

MEG?

YOU'VE REALISED IT TOO

D, DON'T TELL ME...!

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BETWEEN THE TWO ELECTRIC POLES?

THAT MAKES THE MIDDLE...

IF, IN BETWEEN THESE TWO POLES

A STRONG BUT THIN WIRE IS TIED...

ASSUME THIS IS WHERE THE TWO POLES ARE STANDING

THEN, ASSUME THIS FIVE YEN COIN IS A HUMAN.

AND THE END OF THE WIRE IS PULLED WITH THE FULL STRENGTH OF A TRACTOR....

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THE TENSION OF THAT WIRE IS ENOUGH TO LIFT HUMAN INTO SPACE

LIKE THIS...

THE CULPRIT IS A VILLAGER THAT WORE A MASK...

AND TRICKED DIRECTOR ANZAI WITH A STORY ABOUT TREASURE

THEN, HE LURED HIM TO THIS PLACE

THAT'S HOW...

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AND WHEN DIRECTOR ANZAI AVOIDED THOSE TREE BRANCHES AND STEPPED INTO THE CIRCLED WIRE...

HE TIED WIRE IN THE FORM OF A KU* BETWEEN THE TWO POLES

CULPRIT

DIRECTOR ANZAI UNKNOWINGLY WALKS INTO A TRAP

BECAUSE THIS OCCURED AT NIGHT, THE THIN WIRE COULDN'T BE SEEN AT ALL

TN: "KU" IS A LETTER FROM THE JAPANESE ALPHABET

BRRRMM

THE CIRCLED WIRE TIGHTENED, BOUND DIRECTOR ANZAI'S LEG AND THE STAKE FASTENER WAS FREED

BRRRMM BRRRMM

THE CULPRIT PULLED THE END OF THE WIRE WITH A TRACTOR.

HWAAA!?

BECAUSE HE STRUGGLED, THE VIDEO CAMERA FELL DOWN. THEN, TO MAKE SURE DIRECTOR ANZAI'S BODY FELL INTO THE RIGHT PLACE, THE CULPRIT CUT THE WIRE

HWAAA!?

AND IN AN INSTANT, HE WAS PULLED UPWARDS.

HE FELL APPROXIMATELY IN THE MIDDLE OF THE POLES AND THE BUILDING

IT MEANS, THERE...

AND DIED ON THE SPOT.

HE FELL 10 METRES HEAD-FIRST

BECAUSE HIS LEGS WERE BOUND,

. . . . . .

YES... THERE'S NO DOUBT ABOUT IT...

IT SEEMS THERE IS A POORLY-HIDDEN MUDDY TRAIL.

THERE ARE SOME TRACES OF BLOOD HERE!

WHAT KIND OF HUMAN WOULD WANT TO MURDER THIS CONSTANTLY...?

WHAT A DIRTY TRICK!

THIS KAMIKAKUSHI EVENT IS A MURDER CASE!

BY PRETENDING TO BE A VILLAGER WHO WAS PASSING BY, THE CULPRIT TOOK THE BROKEN VIDEO CAMERA AND PUT IT ONTHE FRONT DOOR OF THE INN.

THEN, USING THIS KAMIKAKUSHI TRICK TO KILL HIM, PEOPLE WOULD ASSUME THAT THIS WAS A KAMIKAKUSHI EVENT AND THE CULPRIT HAD PLANNED IT SO THAT THE SCENE WOULD BE RECORDED.

THE CULPRIT WAS WATCHING DIRECTOR ANZAI, WHO, SINCE THE AFTERNOON, WAS TAKING PICTURES WITH A VIDEO CAMERA WHILE LOOKING FOR TREASURE

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MEG, PLEASE GO BACK TO THE VILLAGE AT ONCE AND ASK FOR PEOPLE WHO KNOW THE INS AND OUTS OF THIS VILLAGE

AROUND HERE, THERE MUST BE A PLACE THAT CAN BE USED TO HIDE THE DEAD BODY!

YES!

....BUT, HOW ABOUT THE DEAD BODY? IT MUST BE HIDDEN AROUND HERE. THOUGH... THERE IS NO GRAVE-YARD IN THIS VILLAGE, IS THERE?

YEAH, THERE'S A POSSIBILITY THAT THE CULPRIT HID IT SOME-WHERE FOR A WHILE

EVEN DIRECTOR ANZAI...!

EEEH!? WHAT DID YOU SAY!?

SUDDENLY, I HAD A STRAGE FEELING

SORRY, I WAS EAVES-DROPPING YOUR CONVERSATION

OWADA!

THERE IS NO NEED!

HA-!

IT IS CRUCIAL THAT WE ASK HELP FROM THE VILLAG-ERS TO FIND THE DEAD BODY

THEN...

KYAAAAA!!

UWAAA!! ANZAI...!!

!?

!!

WHAT'S GONNA HAPPEN IF SOMEONE WHO DOESN'T WEAR A MASK WANDERS IN THIS VILLAGE AND TRESPASSES INTO THE HOLY TEMPLE OF THE PRIEST...

OWADA! AN EX-FOLLOWER LIKE YOU SHOULD'VE UNDERSTOOD, RIGHT?

RYO...

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JUST LIKE THE PRIEST SAID...

Y,YOU...

WHAT AN IDIOT.. !

!

IF YOU MEDITATE AND REPENT, MAYBE YOU CAN STILL BE SAVED.

IF YOU ALSO DON'T WANT TO EXPERIENCE IT, COME BACK ONCE AGAIN TO THE HOLY TEMPLE

...

YOU USED TO BE A FOLLOWER OF THIS SECT!?

O,OWADA ... YOU..!?

THE PRIEST YOU ALL WORSHIP IS THE REAL CULPRIT, RIGHT?

IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE THAT...

IN FACT, IT COULD MEAN THAT THIS EKISHINKYO SECT HAD SOMETHING TO DO WITH THE CASE

THE REPORTER MURDER CASE IN HYOTAN VILLAGE AND THIS CASE ARE NOT KAMIKAKUSHI EVENTS!

R, RYU!

SAYING THOSE THINGS ABOUT THE PRIEST...!

...

HOW BRAVE OF YOU...

HM? MAYBE HE SNEAKED BY QUIETLY, RIGHT?

BESIDES, THE TEMPLE IS ONLY GUARDED IN THE AFTER-NOON...

HE IS NOT THE CULPRIT OF THE EVENT IN HYOTAN VILLAGE!

IT MEANS, HE COULD NOT HAVE GONE OUT OF THIS VILLAGE...

BESIDES, THIS WHOLE TIME, HE HAS LIVED IN THE HOLY TEMPLE IN A ROOM THAT NOBODY ELSE MAY ENTER.

...NO

BUT, EVERYONE WHO PASSES THAT TUNNEL MUST HAVE BEEN NOTED

THE FACE OF KYOSO-SAMA BEHIND THAT MASK?

SAY, RYO... HAVE YOU EVER SEEN...

BUT, THERE IS A GUARD WATCHING THE IN THAT TUNNEL FOR ALL 24 HOURS...!

IT'S IMPOS-SIBLE FOR HIM TO PASS THE GUARD!

IT'S POSSIBLE HE PASSED THE GUARD BY PRETENDING TO BE ANOTHER PERSON

RYU, MAYBE YOUR WORDS WENT TOO FAR...

DO YOU WANT TO MAKE RYO ANGRY...?

...HUH?

IT'S IMPOS-SIBLE FOR HIM TO DISGUISE HIMSELF AS ANOTHER PERSON AND PASS THROUGH THAT TUNNEL

BORROWING YOUR DETEC-TIVE'S WORDS, AN ALIBI CAN BE CREATED IMMEDIATELY

AND THE RESULT PLEASED ME...

I'M TRYING TO "FISH"

HYOTAN VILLAGE, RYOZANPAKU INN

THAT JAPANESE MILITARY SOLDIER'S CODE!?

KAZUMA! HAVE YOU SUCCEEDED IN BREAKING ...

PREVIOUSLY, THEY WERE USING IROHA* TO CHANGE THESE NUMBERS INTO CODE!

LOOK HERE!

IN FACT, I TRIED CHANGING THESE ROWS OF NUMBERS INTO 50 JAPANESE WORDS

YEAH! BUT, IT'S QUITE DIFFICULT! IT'S EVEN HARD FOR ME!

YUP

YUP

WHICH IS, IN ORDER, A I U E O.

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T... THIS IS...

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JUST FORM A STRANGE SENTENCE!

AS YOU CAN SEE, THE ROW OF NUMBERS WHICH APPEAR THE MOST OFTEN...

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33
28
9(28)
28
48

IF THEY WERE TRANSLATED TO IROHA, THEY WILL BECOME LIKE THIS

FOR EXAMPLE, THESE ROWS OF NUMBERS APPEAR OFTEN.

HOSO ...!?

HOSO IS THE SAME AS TENENTO* !

WHAT ...? RYU?

YEAH!

EH!? DIDN'T RYU ONCE SAID THAT TENNENTO* WAS A LEGENDARY DISEASE THAT WAS EXTREMELY DEADLY!?

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YOU'RE TOO MUCH!

TN: TENENTO: SMALLPOX

[!!] BU

...DON'T TELL ME ...!!

BUT... WHY WOULD THE INSIDE OF THE WORD SMALLPOX APPEAR IN SECRET MILITARY DOCUMENTS ...?

FROM WHAT WAS HEARD, THAT SCARY MASK WAS MADE ACCORDING TO THE CONDITION OF THE SMALLPOX VICTIM

QUITE TRUE! NO WONDER THOSE RED DOTS LOOK SIMILAR ...!

THIS IS WHAT THEY'VE BEEN DOING IN HYOTAN VILLAGE AND KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE!!

I UNDERSTAND WHY WHEN THESE DISCONTINUOUS CODES ARE TRANSLATED, A STRANGE WORD APPEARS!

THE DEAD BODY OF THE MISSING DIRECTOR ANZAI HAS BEEN FOUND!

KYU!? HURRY, CALL THE POLICE!

WHAT HAS HAPPENED, RYU?

ERM... THERE'S A PHONE CALL FROM RYU IN KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE

AH... THANKS MIO

THAT CODE?

YEAH...

I SEE ... THERE'S ALSO SOMETHING BIG HAPPENING HERE

EEEH!?

THE KAMIKAKUSHI EVENT IS ACTUALLY A CRAFTY TRICK!

AND SEEMS THAT IT'LL BE VERY DIFFICULT TO FIND THE CULPRIT

IT LOOKS LIKE, BOTH HYOTAN VILLAGE AND KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE...

WERE USED AS A PLACE TO DEVELOP A BIOLOGICAL WEAPON BY THE JAPANESE MILITARY...!

DON'T YOU THINK THAT BOTH THE MASKS OF THE FOLLOWERS OF THE EKISHINKYO SECT AND THE BIOLOGICAL WEAPON ARE CONNECTED TO SMALLPOX...

WHAT DO YOU THINK, RYU...?

BIOLOGICAL WEAPON!?

DON'T TELL ME, IT WAS THE SMALL-POX?

IT'S LOGICAL FOR YOU TO THINK THAT WAY

YEAH ...

COULD IT BE THAT THE SECT IS INVOLVED IN THIS CASE !?

I WANT YOU TO CAL L THE POLICE IMMEDIATELY

THE IMPORTANT THING IS,

ASK THEM TO COME TO KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE

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WE WANT THEM TO COME SOON TO KAMI-KAKUSHI VILLAGE.

ANYWAY, HURRY UP AND CALL THE POLICE.

WHAT'S WRONG? RYUU!

RYU?

RYU

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MEG...

WHAT'S WRONG, KYU?

THE CALL WAS SUDDENLY CUT OFF.

I'LL CALL LATER

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OI, RYU!

RYU, WHAT IS GOING TO HAPPEN TO US?

DON'T WORRY MEG EVEN THOUGH THEIR MASKS LOOK REALLY SCARY, IT LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE NOT THE TYPE OF PEOPLE TO USE VIOLENCE !

IF WE KEEP OUR CALM, THEY WON'T DO ANYTHING.

THE TV CREW WAS ALSO BROUGHT HERE!

CALM DOWN, MR. IWASHIMIZU.

WHAT'S WITH YOU PEOPLE!?

REMOVE THOSE MASKS NOW!

RYO-SAN!

WE ARE IN A HOLY TEMPLE!

PLEASE CALM DOWN,

ARE YOU, AN EX-FOLLOWER, TEAMING UP WITH THEM TOO?

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WHAT DID YOU SAY, OWADA?

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QUES-TIONS!?

THE DOOR IS OPENING!

WILL WANT TO ASK YOU SOME QUESTIONS.

IN A FEW MOMENTS, KYOSO-SAMA AND THE HIGH PRIEST,

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OOOOH…

WE'VE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU, KYOSO-SAMA. !

BECAUSE OF EKIGAMI-SAMA'S ANGER, THE KAMIKAKUSH EVENTS HAVE RETURNED ONCE AGAIN.

WE WANT TO REPORT TO YOU THAT THESE PEOPLE ARE WANDERING AROUND THE VILLAGE WITHOUT MASKS TO SEARCH FOR TREASURE.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

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DON'T JOKE AROUND LIKE THAT!!

IF NOT, SOMETHING SCARY MIGHT HAPPEN...

MY DEAR GUESTS, IT WOULD BE BETTER IF YOU LEFT KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE IMMEDIATELY

SIGN LANG-UAGE?

I UNDER-STAND

IF NEEDED I WOULD BRING ALL OF MY STAFF HERE!

SO I COULD REVEAL THE ROTTENNESS OF THIS VILLAGE AND EKISHINKYO!!

ACTUALLY, WE HAVE TO ARRANGE THE FUNERAL FOR ANZAI AND THE OTHERS!

DO YOU THINK I CAN JUST GO HOME LIKE A COWARD AFTER TWO OF MY FRIENDS HAVE BEEN KILLED!?

I'M THE PERSON RESPON-SIBLE FOR THE TREASURE HUNTING SHOW!!

MR. IWASHI-MIZU!

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COME ON! WE WILL STAY IN HYOTAN VILLAGE TODAY AND WE'LL DEPART TOMORROW MORNING!

M, MR. IWASHIMIZU...!

.....

OF THIS WEIRD SECT!!

I'M ALREADY SICK...

W, WHAT DID KYOSO-SAMA SAY, RYO?

... OH, I SEE

EH. .

THE DEADLY KAMIKAKUSHI EVENT...

WILL HAPPEN IN HYOTAN VILLAGE...

.....

I WANT TO ASK ONE THING,

KYOSO-SAMA,

WHY DO YOU TALK LIKE THAT TO KYOSO-SAMA...!?

AND WHY DO YOU USE SIGN LANGUAGE?

WHY DO YOU WEAR A MASK AND GLOVES?

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LET ME EXPLAIN...

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I AM THINKING... ARE YOU THE CULPRIT OF THIS KAMIKAKUSHI MURDER CASE?

AH!!!

EH?!

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IT COULD BE THAT YOU ARE SOMEONE FROM THIS VILLAGE AND THAT YOU SNUCK IN THROUGH THE TUNNEL....

NO ONE KNOWS WHO YOU ARE AND WHAT YOU SOUND LIKE.

THAT YOU ARE THE ONE WHO KILLED DIRECTOR ANZAI IN KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE AND THE REPORTER NAMED AZEGAMI IN HYOTAN VILLAGE

OF COURSE THERE IS A POSSIBILITY...

FOR ME, A POSSIBILITY

AFTER COMMITTING MURDER IN HYOTAN VILLAGE, AND THEN CAME BACK HERE.

I UNDE-RSTAND

AFTER THE EVENT WE CHECKED IT, BUT WASN'T EVEN A SINGLE WEIRD ENTRY...

DIDN'T I SAY THAT WHOEVER GOES THROUGH THE TUNNEL IS NOTED BY THE GUARD'S POST?

"IF YOU SUSPECT ME, YOU ARE WELCOME TO GO TO THE GUARD'S POST AT THE MOUTH OF THE TUNNEL TO SEE WHO WENT IN AND OUT."

"BUT"

"BECAUSE I AM CURRENTLY MEDITATING, I CANNOT LEAVE THE TEMPLE FROM BEHND THIS WALL"

KYOSO-SAMA SAID...

"SOMEONE'S SOUL WOULD SURELY BECOME THE VICTIM"

"IN THE NAME OF KAMIKAKUSHI"

THAT'S

ERM, KAGAMI ...

WHAT HAPPENED IN KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE?

EEEH!?

REALLY ...!?

WHEN THINGS ARE LIKE THIS, THEY'RE SATISFIED, HUH!?

DAMN!

HYOTAN VILLAGE, RYOZANPAKU INN

SO, NOW HE DOESN'T WANT TO CARE ANYMORE.

MR. IWASHIMIZU HAS BECOME VERY ANGRY ...

BECAUSE SOMEONE CALLED KYOSO-SAMA TOLD US TO LEAVE THIS PLACE,

THEY BOTH ARE STILL STAYING IN KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE.

EH!? WHY...

DID THEY ALSO GO WITH YOU GUYS?

THEN... HOW ARE OUR FRIENDS, RYU AND MEG?

HOW COULD IT BE POSSIBLE FOR A GUY WHO ACTS LIKE A GIRL TO BE THAT BRAVE...

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THE HIGHEST LEADER OF EKISHINKYO ..?

TO PREVENT THE KAMIKAKUSHI EVENT FROM HAPPENING IN HYOTAN VILLAGE, HE ORDERED RYU TO GUARD THE TUNNEL UNTIL HE'S SATISFIED...

BECAUSE RYU ACCUSED KYOSO-SAMA OF BEING THE KILLER.

BECAUSE KYOSO-SAMA ORDERED ME TO STAY IN HERE TO WITNESS THAT KAMIKAKUSHI EVENT

WHEN SHE RETURNS, PLEASE TELL HER THAT I'VE GONE TO KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE...!

Y... YES

SHE WENT SHOPPING ..

AUNT KIRIHARA! WHERE IS MIO?

THAT'S WHAT KYOSO-SAMA PREDICTS.

WILL THERE BE A KAMIKA-KUSHI EVENT IN THIS VILLAGE?

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WITH A SITUATION LIKE THIS, NO WONDER THE POLICE DIDN'T SUCCEED INSOLVING THE CASE OF WHEN SEVEN PEOPLE IN TEN YEARS DISAPPEARED FROM THIS VILLAGE....

HE TALKED AS IF IT WAS HAPPENING IN FRONT OF HIS VERY OWN EYES

W, WITNESS? OI! THAT IS A MURDER CASE!

NG? WHAT'S UP?

ANO...

IT'S RYU AGAIN...

I HEARD .. RYU IS IN KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE?

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YEAH...

AFTER RYO WENT TO HYOTAN VILLAGE, NO ONE CAME HERE ASIDE FROM THE POLICE...

GO AHEAD...

LET ME GET YOU MORE TEA

EXCUSE ME,

WE BECAME CONFUSED AS TO HOW TO CONTACT THEM

THIS TIME, RYU AND MEG ARE AT THE GUARD'S POST AND THEY HAVE NO TELEPHONE

REALLY? I WAS ALSO JUST THINKING OF ASKING FOR YOUR HELP!

NOW I WILL GO TO KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE TO REPLACE RYO

MAYBE THERE'S SOMETHING I CAN HELP YOU WITH, KYU?

AREA AROUND THE KAMIKA-KUSHI VILLAGE TUNNEL

I DON'T REMEMBER WEIRD THINGS LIKE THAT ...

TOO BAD! I WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER EVERY ♡ LITTLE DETAIL

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DID YOU KNOW THAT EVERY TIME SHE SEES RYU, HER FACE TURNS RED?

....THAT'S MIO, THE YOUNG STAFFER FROM THE INN

AH! THERE'S SOMEONE COMING!

HERE A PRESENT FOR YOU.

KYU AND HIS FRIENDS WANT TO HEAR ABOUT WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THIS VILLAGE

OH... THANK YOU.

OH MIO... WHAT'S UP?

WITH A LOOK LIKE THAT,

GOOD EVENING, RYU

MEG ...

ONCE AGAIN MIO'S FACE BECOMES RED... RIGHT, RYU?

SEE!

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YOU LOOK LIKE AN ORDINARY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT?

EH?

R, REALLY?

IF YOU WANT TO TEASE LIKE THAT, IT'D BE BETTER TO DO IT TO KYU!

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GYAAA!

IF YOU TALK LIKE THAT, IT LOOKS LIKE IT'S GONNA BE HARD EVEN TO JUST GO BACK TO THE ROOM!

IT'S OKAY, KAZUMA! YOU GO BACK FIRST!

HEY, KYU! GO BACK TO YOUR ROOM!

IF THE TELEPHONE RINGS, WE'D SURELY HEAR IT, RIGHT?

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AH! SORRY, KAZUMA!

OUCH! WHAT ARE YOU DOING, KINTA?!

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YES! KYU'S HERE!

IDIOT! THAT'S THE INN'S PHONE!

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ERR, WHAT?

DO YOU WANT TO DO IT TOO?

WHICH HELPS TO CIRCULATE BLOOD FLOW, WHICH HELPS ME MOVE FASTER!

THIS IS THE MANNER OF THE INHERITANCE BODY OF TOYAMA FAMILY.

WE'VE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU, MIO!

IT'S ALREADY 11 O CLOCK. I'M SORRY... CALLING THIS LATE... NOW I'M AT THE LOBBY OF THE OTHER INN...

YES! THEN, HOW'S THE SITUATION IN KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE?

ARE RYU AND MEG DOING FINE?

FUUUH

I SEE...

THEN, THE CASE?

THEY'RE BORED BECAUSE NOBODY HAS PASSED THROUGH THIS TUNNEL IN THE LAST COUPLE HOURS!

YES!

SO, THE KAMIKAKUSHI TRICK REALLY WAS JUST TO USE A CABLE TO LIFT THE VICTIM!? IT'S REALLY A DEADLY TRICK. YES.

IT LOOKS LIKE TRACES OF BLOOD WERE FOUND AT THE CRIME SCENE. THEN WHAT ABOUT MR. ANZAI'S DEAD BODY? DON'T TELL ME.. IT'S BURIED TOO?

NO. IN KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE, THERE ISN'T A GRAVEYARD.

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MR. OWADA!?

EVEN THOUGH HE'S NOT A VILLAGER... HE FOUND THE RIGHT PLACE?

ACTUALLY, HE USED TO BE A FOLLOWER OF EKISHINKYO SECT!

LOOKS LIKE OWADA, THE CAMERA MAN, WAS THE ONE WHO FOUND THE HIDING PLACE OF THE DEAD BODY

A PLACE EVEN SOME-ONE NOT FROM THE VILLAGE WOULD KNOW...?

OOWADA-SAN IS?!

BECAUSE HIS APPEARANCE HAS CHANGED, WE DIDN'T REALISE IT

HMM...?

THAT PERSON IS... A FORMER BELIEVER OF THE EKISHIN FAITH!

I DIDN'T REALIZE SINCE HE LOOKS SO DIFFERENT

IF I REMEMBER CORRECTLY HE LIVED IN THE NEIGH-BOURING VIL-LAGE UNTIL THREE YEARS AGO.

OH! DON'T TELL ME, THE DIRECTOR ASSISTANT, KAGAMI-NEE-CHAN WAS ALSO ...!?

YES..

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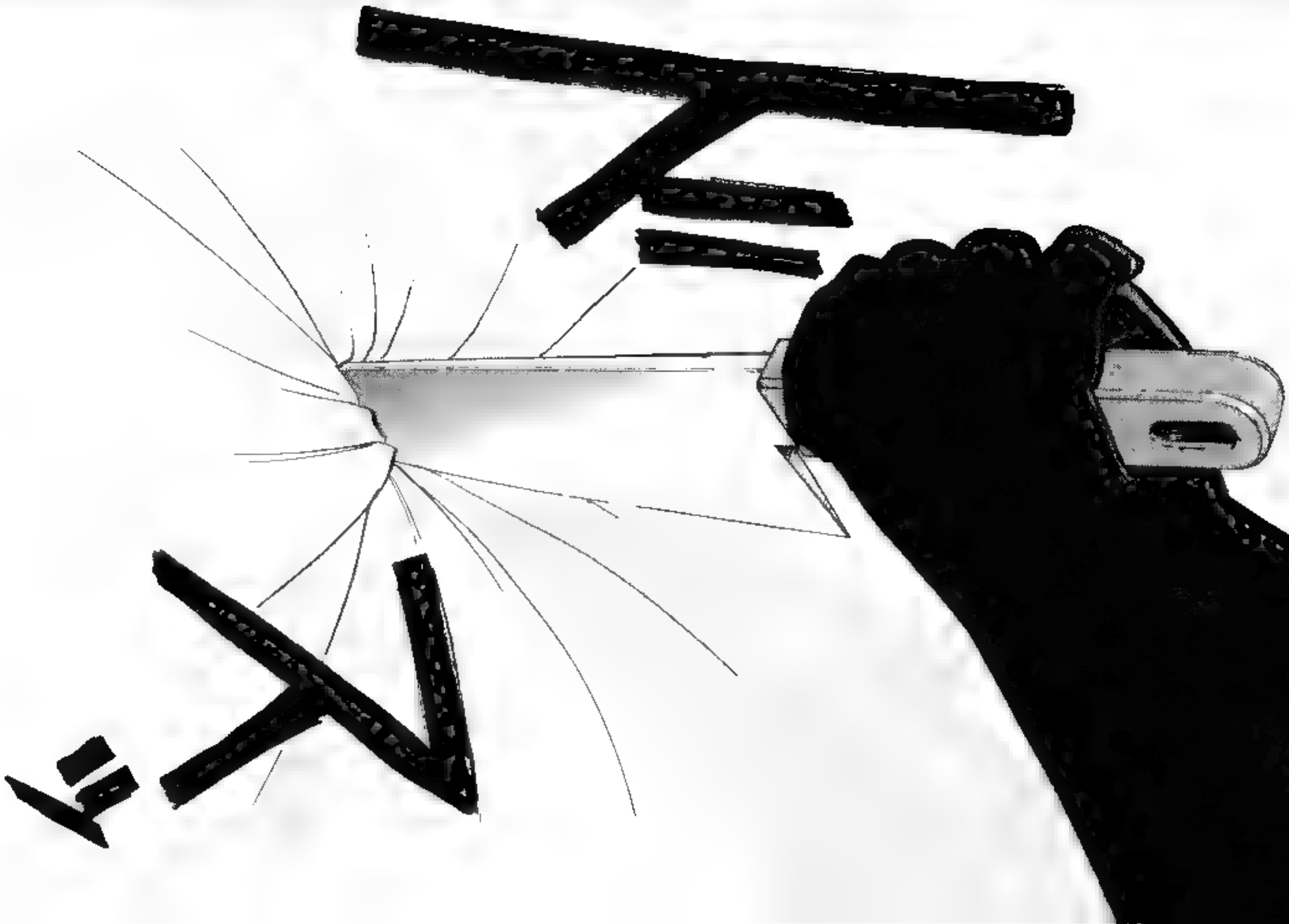
PREVIOUSLY, SHE HAS COME HERE SEVERAL TIMES, MAYBE TO DO AN INTRODUCTION SURVEY.



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HYOUTAN VILLAGE

KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE

TUNNEL

DEEP IN THE MOUNTAINS LIE KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE AND HYOUTAN VILLAGE

THERE'S ONLY ONE TUNNLE CONNECTING THE TWO VILLAGES. THERE HAVE BEEN A STRING OF BRUTAL MURDERS IN KAMIKAKUSHI.

KYUU AND HIS FOUR FRIENDS HAVE COME TO THESE VILLAGES TO DISCOVER THE TRUTH BEHIND THESE MURDERS.

THEY ARE NOW CLOSE TO FINDING THE PERSON RESPONSIBLE.

THE HYOUTAN VILLAGE TEAM

THE KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE TEAM

...BUT THE EVIL KILLER IS ALREADY CARRYING OUT HIS NEXT "MYSTERIOUS DISSAPPEARANCE"

THEN DO YOU KNOW WHAT KIND OF PEOPLE ARE THE VILLAGERS OF "THE KAMUKAKUSHI VILLAGE"?

I'LL SEND IT TO YOU TOMORROW

SO IN THIS CASE...NO ONE KNOWS EVEN A LITTLE BIT ABOUT "THE KAMUKAKUSHI VILLAGE".

IF YOU HAVE A FAX MACHINE, CAN YOU HELP SENDING A SIMPLE MAP TO ME?

KYU SAN, RYU SAN WANTED ME TO SAY THANK YOU

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SORRY MIO SAN, I'LL CALL BACK LATER

WH... WHAT HAPPENED KYU SAN!

IS IT FROM THE OPPOSITE BUILDING'S CORRIDOR?

THE SOUND JUST NOW... LIKE THE SOUND OF GLASS BROKEN!?

PRODUCER IWASHI-MIZU!!

WHAT IS IT, IWASHI-MIZU SAN?

FROM PRODUCER IWASHI-MIZU'S ROOM!

THAT SOUND IS...

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WHAT HAPPENED?

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PRODUCER IWASHIMIZU .?

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KYAAAAAAAA!!

THIS IS THE PREDICTION FROM KYOUSO SAMA ABOUT THE "KAMU-KAKUSHI"

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PRODUCER I...IWASHI MIZU!!

TH... THIS...

ONE STAB RIGHT AT THE HEART BY THE KITCHEN KNIFE!!

STOP IT!! KINTA..

!

STOP JOKING!!

DON'T YOU SEE THAT HE WAS STABBED BY THE KITCHEN KNIFE?

WHAT KIND OF RELI-GION..!?

THIS TIME, IWASHIMIZU-SAN IS THE "KAMUKAKUSHI" VICTIM

RYU SAN!!

I'M SO ANGRY THAT WE COULDN'T STOP IT.

HE WAS ALREADY DEAD.

AND WE STILL HAVEN'T FIGURED OUT THE TRUTH BEHIND THIS...!

KYU...

.....

...DAMN IT!

THIS...THIS CRUEL KILLER COMMITTED THE CRIME IN FRONT OF OUR EYES

[redacted] KILLING...

THE MURDERER CAUSING THIS CAME HERE EVEN THOUGH WE WERE HERE!

AND I HAVE NO CLUE WHO HE IS"

THE VICTIM DIDN'T LEAVE, AND THE MURDERER MUST HAVE KNOWN THIS WELL!!

[redacted] DEFINITELY NOT GIVE UP...

IF THE DETECTIVE GIVES UP

THE CASE WILL NEVER BE SOLVED!!

KYOUSO'S ALIBI IS SO PERFECT.

AROUND SUNSET, BECAUSE MIO SAN CAME HERE, THERE WAS NOT ONLY ONE PERSON GOING THROUGH THE TUNNEL.

HMM

REALLY? SO THIS MEANS ...

IN ACCORDANCE WITH KYOUSO'S PREDICTION, IWASHIMIZU SAN WAS...

NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT, THIS KYOUSO IS SUSPICIOUS! HOW WAS IT OVER THERE? THE TUNNEL'S CONDITION ..?

RIGHT NOW, RYU KUN IS WATCHING AT THE "GUARDING CABIN".

...

OF COURSE, RYU AND I HAVE BEEN WATCHING, NOT TAKING OUR EYES OFF EVEN ONCE

ARE YOU SURE?

NO...

THIS IS SO SIMPLE! THE KILLER HAS TO BE THE ONE WHO KNOWS HYOTAN VILLAGE VERY WELL...

I DON'T GET IT

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KYOUSO HAS AN ALABI

THIS SUSPICIOUS MASK-WORN PERSON MIGHT HAVE CHANGED THE TUNNEL! EVEN THOUGH THERE WAS ONLY ONE TUNNEL...

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AND IF WE FIGURE OUT THIS TRICK. THE MYSTERY ALSO CAN BE SOLVED AS WELL.

I THINK THAT KYOUSO WAS DEFINITELY RELATED. THERE IS A TRICK HERE.

EXCUSE ME, OFFICER OTAWA!! WANTS TO MEET YOU...

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WELL IF THE KILLER SHOWED UP TWICE IN HYOTAN VILLAGE, KYOUSO MUST HAVE A WAY TO GO BACK AND FORTH. WHO IS THE ACCOMPLICE THAT...

BUT YOLAND KYU, HAVE SEARCHED THE VILLAGE SURROUNDINGS CAREFULLY.

AND YOU KNOW THIS 1.5 KILOMETRE-TUNNEL TAKES 30 MINUTES TO WALK THROUGH.

SO, HOW ABOUT IWASHIMIZU SAN'S MURDER CASE?

THERE WERE MANY CORPSES THAT COULDN'T BE IDENTIFIED AS ONES FROM THE "KAMI-KAKUSHI" THAT HAPPENED A FEW YEARS

FIRST WE HAD BEEN TO HYOTAN VILLAGE'S CEMETERY FOLLOWING YOUR ADVICE

OH GOSH... THIS IS SUCH A SERIOUS CASE

THEN, TEST IT IMMEDIATELY, PLEASE!

UH?... NO

HAVE YOU TESTED THE TEA BOTTLE YET?

EXCUSE ME, OFFICER OTAWA!!

THE STAB IN THE HEART KILLED HIM INSTANTLY. AND...

THE WAY THE MURDERER ENTERED WAS USING THE KEY OPENING THE BACKDOOR WHICH WAS DOWN THE STAIRCASE NEAR HERE.

EH...

IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN MIXED WITH ANESTHETIC!

EH?!

SO WE SAW THAT THE MAGAZINE ON IWASHIMIZU SAN'S SIDE WAS KEPT OPENED AS IT WAS BEFORE.

HE FELL ASLEEP WHILE READING THE MAGAZINE

THIS WAS BEFORE THE LIGHT WAS ON.

KINTA TURNED THE LIGHT ON IMMEDIATELY

WHEN KINTA JUMPED INTO THE ROOM, THE SWITCH WAS OFF

ANES-THETIC ?

WHAT MAKES YOU THINK THAT?!

BECAUSE OF THESE TWO POINTS, I CAN GUESS HOW THE MURDER HAPPENED

IWASHIMIZU SAN WAS STABBED FROM ABOVE.

I SEE!! THE OPENED MAGAZINE WHICH WAS ON TOP OF HIM ISN'T NORMAL.

THERE WAS A LIGHT WHICH CAN BE SWITCHED ON BY HAND. IS THIS STRINGY SWITCH TURNED OFF?

IN THIS CONDITION, UNTIL THE SWITCH NEXT TO THE ENTRANCE WAS TURNED ON, NO LIGHT MEANS IT WAS DIFFICULT FOR THE MURDERER TO DISAPPEAR

TO KEEP HIMSELF FROM SPOUTING BLOOD, THE MURDERER PUT COVERLET ON THE VICTIM

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WHEN THE LIGHT WAS ON IN THE ROOM, THE MURDERER CAME.

USUALLY THE VICTIM WOULD CREAM OUT AND THE MURDERER KNEW THAT LOUD NOISE WOULD WAKE PEOPLE UP.

BECAUSE THERE WAS A FUTON, THE RISK WHEN KILLING WAS NONE.

THE MURD-ERER WITH THE KITCHEN KNIFE ON HIS HAND KILLED THE SLEEPING VICTIM WHILE THE LIGHT WAS ON.

GOT IT!!

I SEE!

WHAT KAZUMA SAID IS CORRECT!

IN SHORT, THE MURDERER HAD PREPARED THE VICTIM'S DRI-NKING ANESTHETIC WOULD MAKE THINGS DIFFERENT.

THE MURDERER KNEW HE COULD COMMIT HIS CRIME EASILY IF WASHIMIZU SAN WASN'T WOKEN UP

KYU IS GREAT!!

H...HEY, CHECK THE TEA BOTTLE RIGHT AWAY

HURRY UP!!

YES, SIR

ONLY A LITTLE DETAIL CAN BECOME SUCH AN ARGUMENT !

HE LOOKS AS ORDI-NARY AS EVERYONE ELSE.

BUT IN TIMES LIKE THIS, HIS MIND BECOMES SO GLOWING

HE IS PLAIN NORM-ALLY,

THE FACT IS THE LIGHT SWITCH NEAR THE EXIT ENTRANCE WAS OFF, HE COULDN'T ESCAPE INTO THE INN, COULD HE?

UHM! THE MURDERER JUMPED OUT OF THE INN FROM THE BROKEN WINDOW ON THE SECOND FLOOR

!?

WHEN I CAME, THE LIGHT WAS ALREADY OFF.

W..WAIT? THE MURDERER SEEMED TO ESCAPE THROUGH THE BROKEN WINDOW

PROWLERS INSIDE THE INN ALSO COULD NOT. THE WORKING STAFF...

OUTSIDERS HARDLY COULD DO IT

ANESTHETIC WAS PUT INTO ROOM'S TEA SET.

IN SHORT, THE MURDER IS

MAYBE IS "SOMEONE" IN THIS "RYOUZANPAKU" MAIN BUILDING!

I CANT QUITE RECALL THE CONTENT OF THE TV PROGRAM

I WAS WATCHING TV!

THE OWNER OF RYOUZANPAKU INN
KUROZUMI KODOROU (58)

AH. AT THAT TIME, THE BACK DOOR WAS STILL OPENED.

SO, WHAT DID YOU DO AROUND IT?

AT 12 O' CLOCK MIDNIGHT, I CLOSED THE DOOR BEFORE GOING TO SLEEP.

MAYBE I FORGOT TO LOCK IT

ANY WIT-NESS?

AT THAT TIME,

I WAS PREPARING BREAKFAST FOR TO-MORROW

RYOUZANPAKU INN'S WAITRESS
CHIRIHARA MASAE (66)

I STAYED IN MY ROOM

MANAGER OF RYOUZANPAKU ANNEX
KUROZUMI RYO (25)

I WAS ALONE

NO...

I WAS CHECKING TOMORROW'S SCHEDULE IN MY ROOM

BECAUSE IWASHIMIZU PRODUCER SAID THAT HE WOULD LEAVE THIS VILLAGE TOMORROW

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR - KAGAMI REI (25)

WHEN I HEARD THE GLASS BREAK I RAN OUT TO THE CORRIDOR RIGHT AWAY

SOME CUSTOMERS EXCHANGED STRANGE LOOKS WHEN RUNNING.

WE HAD BEEN TO IWASHIMIZU'S ROOM INSTANTLY ...

SORRY, I... DIDN'T DO ANYTHING.

WHEN I HEARD THE GLASS BREAK, I RAN TO THE CORRIDOR RIGHT AWAY

WE WERE REALLY LOUD...

ACTUALLY, I HAVE BEEN TO THIS VILLAGE MANY TIMES BEFORE. THIS IS MY JOB.

WERE YOU THE FORMER MEMBER OF EKISHINKYOU?

EE-EEH!

CERTAINLY MY ROOM WAS NEAREST TO IWASHIMIZU SAN'S ROOM

BUT I DID GO OUT, SO EXCEPT FOR THE SOUND OF BROKEN GLASS, I DIDN'T...

CAMERAMAN - OWADA SUSUMU (22)

3 YEARS AGO, I LIVED FOR HALF A YEAR IN SURROUNDINGS OF "THE KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE"

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BESIDES, SMASHING THE TABLE WITH ZETLIGHT'S FACE, TAKING THE SHINING CURLET BOWL...

DON'T MIMIC THOSE OLD CRIME DRAMAS. ANGRY OVER THINGS LIKE THIS!

WE CAN'T FIND ANYTHING FROM FORMAL INTERROGATIONS LIKE THIS

NOW, I HAVE NO SPECIAL RELATION WITH THEM ANYMORE.

UHM, I HAVEN'T FOUND THE ANSWER YET.

SEEMS LIKE YOU ARE THINKING SOMETHING SERIOUSLY?

HEY! KYU! HOW ARE YOU?

FINDING THE "CONTRADICTION" CAN GIVE US A HINT.

AMONG THESE TESTIMONIES

WHAT ...?

OFFICER OOTAWARA

BUT ... STILL HAVEN'T FOUND ANY MEANING YET!

EH?

SE... SERI-OUS?

OH, I SEE

!

THERE WERE SOME VERIFIED AS STUDENTS FROM THE UNIVERSITY IN SURROUNDINGS OF "THE KAMU-KAKUSHI VILLAGE",

AMONG CORPSES FROM THE CEMETERY,

WHAT...!!

THEN, THE MURDER...

...

CORPSES OF UNIVERSITY STUDENTS FROM "THE KAMUKAKUSHI VILLAGE" WERE BURIED IN "THE HYOTAN VILLAGE"'S CEMETERY!?

THIS IS NONSENSE!!

HOW COME A BUNDLE OF CORPSES FROM "THE KAMUKAKUSHI VILLAGE" WAS IN "THE HYOTAN VILLAGE"?

IT TAKES 30 MINUTES WALKING THROUGH THE TUNNEL ONE-WAY.

WE CAN ONLY GUARD FOR 24 HOURS. ARE WE ABLE TO WORK OUT THE WAY TO REVEAL THIS MYSTERY?

...

THIS MURDER JUST DISAPPEARED!!

PLUS, DEEP FOG AND STORIES OF DANGEROUS PRIMEVAL FOREST PREVENTED ANYONE TO ENTER.

THE CORPSES COULDN'T BE CARRIED DOWN UPRIGHT CLIFFS SURROUNDING THESE TWO VILLAGES

GUARDING THOSE MASK-WORN CORPSES IS UNREASONABLE!

THIS IS IMPOSSIBLE!

THE ONLY ONE I SUSPECT IS KYOUSO. BUT IT TAKES 30 MINUTES TO WALK FROM "THE KAMUKAKUSHI VILLAGE". WHAT A GOOD ALIBI.

BUT, IN THIS CASE, HOW COULD THE MURDERER CARRY ALL UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' CORPSES TO "THE HYOTAN VILLAGE"?

...WAIT!

REPORTER AZEGAMI IS ALSO A UNIVERSITY STUDENT

THE MISSING UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' CORPSES ALSO....

AND FROM THIS "KAMUKAKUSHI VILLAGE",

BECAUSE OF THIS SHAPE, THE MURDER COULD BE CO-MMITTED.

EXACTLY BECAUSE OF THIS SHAPE, KYOUSO'S ALIBI AND THE MYSTER OF VILLAGES CAN BE ANSWERED IT'S THE HINT

I SEE... GOT IT!!

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DETECTIVE ACADEMY Q

"THE HYOTAN VILLAGE'S" CEMETERY WOULD ANSWER ALL MYSTERIES

THEY THOUGHT THAT CORPSES OF UNIVERSITY STUDENTS FROM ...

THERE IS A LONG TUNNEL CONNECTING TWO VILLAGES. AT FIRST, THE GROUP SPLIT UP TO SPEED UP THE INVESTIGATION OF THE "KAMIKAKUSHI AND HYOTAN VILLAGE"

FOLLOWING THE ORDER FROM DDS, THE FIVE PEOPLE IN KYL'S GROUP VISITED VILLAGES DEEP IN THE MOUNTAINS WHERE THERE WAS SERIAL KILLINGS BY "THE KAMIKAKUSHI."

I SEE... I GOT IT.

THE TUNNEL HAS 24 HOUR ARMED GUARDS, SO HOW DID THE BODIES GET THOUGH THE TUNNEL UNOTICED.

THE ONLY CONNECTION BETWEEN THE TWO VILLAGES IS A TUNNEL THAT TAKES THIRTY MINUTES TO WALK

THIS SHAPE IS THE HINT TO ANSWER KYOSO'S ALIBI AND THE MYSTERY SURROUNDING CONCERNING THE VILLAGES

AZEGAMI-SAN WAS ALSO A REPORTER LIKE THESE UNIVERSITY STUDENTS. BECAUSE OF THIS SHAPE, THE KILLER WAS ABLE TO COMMIT HIS CRIME.

Oowada Susumu

Kurozumi Kogoro

Kagami Rei

Kurozumi Ryo

Kiriha Masae

Fuma Mio

DETECTIVE ACADEMY Q

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NO...!NOT RYU KUN, ONLY ME...

THIS TIME, I'M ALSO VERY LOST.

KYOSO'S PREDICTION MUST BE RELATED BUT KYOSO GOT SUCH A PERFECT ALIBI

PLUS, OTHER WITNESSES DON'T HAVE ALIBIS

THERE IS NO MYSTERY THAT YOU CAN'T SOLVE!

BECAUSE RYU-KUN IS A GENIUS, RIGHT?

EH?

BECAUSE RYU-KUN GETS A GENIUS MIND, RIGHT?

EH!? B...BUT... KYU HAS SHARP MIND BUT HE STUCK AT TIMES LIKE THIS... NOT A KANJI GENIUS EITHER..

KYU-SAN IS ALSO THE WEAKEST

KYU IS MORE SUITABLE THAN ME, ISN'T HE?

IF YOU MEAN "GENIUS"...

THE LIKELY SUCCESSOR OF DAN-SENSEI

EH?

EVEN NOW, I DON'T UNDERSTAND KYU

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...THE SUCCESSOR OF THE FAMOUS DETECTIVE GROUP MERIHICO

I AM...

ONE WHO GOT A PERFECT SCORE ON THE ENTRANCE EXAM

I ALSO DON'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT RYU-KUN, EXCEPT FOR THE FACT THAT YOU WERE THE

ME?

UHM... BOTH

THE HYO-TAN VILL-AGE

IT TAKES 30 MINUTES WALKING THROUGH THE TUNNEL

"KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE" AND "HYOTAN VILLAGE" ARE NOT EVEN LOCATED ON THE MAP.

"THE PROPOSAL" OF "THAT PERSON..."

PLUS, THERE IS

IS NOTA POSSIBILITY.

CLIMBING DOWN THE CLIFFS CARRYING A CORPSES

IF THATS THE CASE, IT'S CLEAR THAT I CAN'T MAKE

A CONCLUSION BASED UPON EMOTIONS

SPEAKING OF CONTRADICTIONS

LONG TIME AGE, THERE WAS A RESPECTED DETECTIVE WHO CONFIDED HIS GREAT WISDOM UPON ME.

"WHEN YOU ARE IN A DILEMMA, CHANGE YOUR VIEWPOINT OF THINGS"

KINTA...WAIT. I'VE JUST CHANGED MY VIEWPOINT!

HEY, KYU

I WONDERED WHERE YOU WENT OFF TO.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING I N THIS TREE?

WHEN BEING IN "SENSITIVE CASES" SUCH AS THIS...

I NOTICED THE CONTRADICTION IN MY FOOTPRINTS WHEN LOOKING DOWN AFTER WALKING UP AFTER WALKING UP THE STAIRS AFTER MEGU!

YOU'RE CLIMBING UP HERE, AREN'T YOU?

YOUR ANALOGIES! THAT'S WHY,

EH..!? IT'S NOT BECAUSE OF MY ANALOGY!

"LOOK AROUND. BEING UPWARD, LOOKING DOWNWARDS OR BEING DOWNWARD LOOKING UPWARDS.

YOU WILL SEE WHAT YOU CAN'T PERCEIVE OF EACH VIEWPOINT " HE SAID.

WHAT...!IT'S ALMOST DAWN AND YOU STILL HAVN'T SEEN ANYTHING?!

STILL WATCHING

UHMM. NO

SO, HAVE YOU UNDERSTOOD WHAT YOU NEEDED TO SEE ON THIS TREE YET?

I SEE...

PLEASE, PLEASE...

YOU TWO...

WE HARDLY SEE THE SUN FROM THIS VILLAGE BECAUSE OF THE THICK FOG

BECAUSE OF SCARCE SUNLIGHT, THE WEATHER SEEMS NICE TODAY.

I RECEIVED A MAIL FROM A COLLEAGUE IN REGARDS OF THE MISSING UNIVERSITY STUDENTS.

PHEW, I'M SO TIRED!

TO RESEARCH ABOUT "THE KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE" FOR A MONTH!

IN EVERY TIME CYCLE, THEIR SCHOOL CHOSE ONLY THEIR BEST STUDENT

THESE MISSING STUDENTS

EH... YOU ALSO CAME ALONG! WHAT A CLUMSY GUY!

GIVE ME A HAND... I CAN'T CLIMB VERY WELL

. . . .

IN THE NEXT MORNING, THE "HIDDEN GOD" HAPPENED.

FINALLY HE CALLED OUT TO HIS COLLEAGUES AFTER UNDERSTANDING THE VILLAGE'S SECRET

WHAT MANIACS!

ANNOUNCING THIS WILL SOLVE EVERYTHING.

WELL, I'LL ANSWER THE QUESTION OF THIS SECRET TOMORROW!

TELL US WHAT YOU KNOW

I'M NOT LETTING YOU IN THAT EASILY.

I SPENT THE ENTIRE SPRING BREAK TO CLEAR THAT MYSTERY.

BEFORE THAT DAY, THE MISSING STUDENT WAS STILL TALKING WITH HIS COLLEAGUES.

YEAH! THIS PICTURE IS DEFINITELY HIDING THE SECRET OF THIS VILLAGE.

KAZUMA... THEN THIS REALLY IS...

IS THAT SO?

CASES? I SHOULD BE THE BEST AT THEM!

AREN'T YOU REALLY GOOD AT CRACKING CODES? CAN YOU THINK UP SOMETHING?

HEY! THIS IS A CASE! IT'S DIFFERENT FROM A CODE!

IF YOU WANT CASES, I'M NOT THAT GOOD

ALRIGHT! THIS LOOKS LIKE DANGO FROM DANGO SAN KYODAI!*

THERE SHOULD BE THREE OF THEM IN DANGO SAN KYODAI! THERE ARE ONLY TWO HERE!

THIS IS ENOUGH! IF IT'S NOT A GOURD, THEN IT'S DANGO. YOU'RE ALWAYS TELLING STUPID JOKES!

EH?

*"DANGO 3 KYODAI" (DANGO THREE BROTHERS) IS A JAPANESE SONG RELEASED ON MARCH 3, 1999. THE SONG CAUSED A SOCIAL PHENOMENON IN JAPAN.
DANGO IS A JAPANESE DUMPLING MADE FROM MOCHIKO (RICE FLOUR), RELATED TO MOCHI. IT IS OFTEN SERVED WITH GREEN TEA.

EH?

IT DOES!

FEELS GOOD

PHEW... AT LAST THE NIGHT FEELS TO BE IN A LIGHTER MOOD

THE MEANING OF THIS SHAPE...

ALSO MEANS...

YOUR IN A TREE!

IDIOT! YOU'RE SUCH AN IDIOT!!

WHOOA

HEY! KYU! WHAT'S UP!?

I NEED TO USE THE TELEPHONE! TELEPHONE!! I HAVE TO ASK MEGU AND RYU RIGHT AWAY...!!

HMM. STUFF LIKE THIS CAN HAPPEN.

YOU SOUND LIKE SANADA-SAN!!

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WHY DID YOU BRING IT? YOU!!

HORA I GOT A PHONE HERE!! CORDLESS!

UHM. I ALSO FIGURED OUT THE MURDER'S ALIBI TRICK!!

I THINK SO!! I WANT TO ASK MEGU SOMETHING!!

YOU UNDERSTAND THE MEANING OF THE SHAPE!?

EH!!

A MOBILE, A RAFT, A SMALL PADDLE AND A COMPASS

EHH, A WATER BOTTLE, A VERSATILE KNIFE, A ROPE, A CAMERA

A FLASHLIGHT, A LIFE JACKET, A PUMP, A SLEEPING BAG... A SCOOP...

DOES MEGU KNOW ABOUT THE MISSING UNIVERSITY STUDENTS?

U...UHM

CAN YOU TELL ME THE WHOLE STORY! ?

THIS VILLAGE IS PRIVATE PROPERTY TO THE EKISHINKYOU'S TEACHINGS GROUP, WE COULDN'T PUT ITS NAME ON THE MAP ON OUR OWN INITIATIVE.

SO WE DIDN'T HAVE MAPS FROM THE OLD DAYS.

DO YOU HAVE THE SHAPE OF "THE KAMI-KAK-USHI VIL-LAGE" WITH YOU, MEGU?

E...EH!

UHM. WHEN I STAYED AT THE ANNEX. I WAS ALSO VERY SURPRISED. RYOU-SAN EXPLAINED THAT.

BECAUSE OF THE COMPASS, THE UNIVERSITY STUDENTS NOTICED THE VILLAGE'S MYSTERY.

THAT'S IT!

EH...! I WROTE IT ALREADY..

HAVE YOU WRITTEN THE TUNNEL'S LOCATION ON THIS MAP?

HUMM...

UHM . UNDERSTOOD! ALMOST THERE...!

ARE YOU FACING THE TUNNEL'S ENTERING ENTRANCE YET? KEEP ON HOLDING THE PHONE

WELL! MEGU, PLEASE REMEMBER FROM THE SURROUNDING SCENERY USING YOUR PHOTOGRAPHIC MEMORY.

WE'RE NOW WALKING TOWARDS THE FRONT OF THE OTHER SIDE OF THE TUNNEL!

WHAT'S NEXT?

I'M COMING TO THE TUNNEL'S ENTERING ENTRANCE

NO, ONLY CLIFFS AND A FOREST

DO YOU SEE ANYTHING TO THE LEFT?

UHM, I AM.

OK MEGU. ARE YOU STANDING IN FRONT OF THE TUNNEL?

I SEE SO. JUST WANT TO ASK 1 MORE TIME

WHAT WE SEE ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE OF KYOUSO'S EKISHINKYOU IS THE HIGH CLIFF OF SHOUHON MOUNTAIN

AH . WE'RE STOPPING AT THE ANNEX

THE WATER IS?

UH..
YEAH,

BUT IT'S TOWARDS MY RIGHT ...

EH? THE SUN HERE?

IS THE SUN UP THERE?

HUH?

THIS IS..

TH.

SAME HERE! IN THE RIGHT HAND!

THE SUN WAS HEADING TOWARDS ONE SIDE OF THE TUNNEL

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KYU, HOW'S IT THERE!?

MEGU, GIVE ME THE PHONE!

EH?

HEY RYU, WHY DO YOU THINK IT DOES THAT?

WHY DO THE VILLAGERS BELIEVE IN THIS SO MUCH?

THE REASON WE CAN IMAGINE IS .. NOT THE ONLY ONE

TOO BAD...

THAT...

IT WAS!

THESE REASONS ARE HIDDEN...!

MAYBE KAZUMA HAS SOLVED THE CIPHERTEXT RESEARCH ABOUT THE "BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS' DEVELOPMENT".

IN "THE KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE" BEFORE, A DISASTER GREATER THAN ANYONE COULD IMAGINE HAPPENED.

THUS, THE VILLAGER HID THE TRUTH ABOUT THIS DISASTER WAS A CRIMINAL "EVIL".

THAT WAS A GREAT DARING LIE.

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MORE "EVIL" WAS KEPT ON FROM BEING CREATED.

THIS LIE WAS KEPT HIDDEN FOR HALF A YEAR.

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HEY, KYU! CAN YOU EXPLAIN FOR ME WHAT'S GOING ON HERE!?

AH... MAYBE...

THIS KAMIKAKUSHI IS ALSO ONE OF THE "EVILS"...

SO...

THIS VILLAGE'S MYSTERY!!

I UNDERSTAND...

AND THE THREE PEOPLE FROM THE TV STAFF HAD TO BE KILLED.

THE RESON WHY THE MISSING UNIVERSITY STUDENTS...

THE RESON WHY THE KAMIKAKUSHI OCCURED IN SUCCESSION

!!

AND THE TRUE IDENTITY OF THE KILLER WHO CARRIED OUT THE KAMIKAKUSHI

WILL ANS-WER FOR THE WELL ORGANIZED CLEVER "ALIBI TRICK"...!

AH

TRICK ...?

ALIBI?

THERE ARE
4 HINTS:

ast Snake

THE FIRST ONE IS THE POSITION OF THE SUN.

SECOND IS THE SHAPE OF THIS MAP.

"THE KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE" IN "THE HYOTAN VILLAGE'S" CEMETERY.

THE THIRD IS THE FINDING THE MISSING UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' CORPSE FROM

THE FOURTH IS THE HIDDEN CONTRADICTION IN INTERROGATIONS.

TO REVEAL THE "SECRET" WHICH HAS BEEN PROTECTED ALL THIS TIME IN THIS VILLAGE

SO FROM THESE 4 HINTS, ONLY ONE PERSON ...

ALL MYSTERIES ARE BECOMING CLEAR.

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...

...

THERE IS ONLY ONE ANSWER...

AGN SCANS
Noname
RAW PROVIDER: NITEISH BHASON
TRANSLATOR: DINGMAN
CLEANER: MYRA
TYPESETTER: SILVERBLADE, COOKIEZ, TANTEI
QUALITY CHECKER: ALPHAXERO

WHERE ARE THE REST WHO WERE AT RYOZAN-PAKU?

I SEE

THE POLICE WILL BRING THEM HERE LATER!

SFX:Wave! wave!

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HEY! EVERYONE!

IT'S MEG AND RYU!

IT SURE HAD !

IT HAS FINALLY REACHED THE FINAL STAGE...

THE INVESTIGATION RESUMES! THE FIVE REUNITES!

WILL BE EXPOSED BY US IN FRONT OF EVERYONE!

NOW, THE INCREDIBLE 'LIE' THAT HAD ENVELOPED THESE TWO VILLAGES

WE HAVE BEEN ENTRUSTED BY DAN-SENSEI TO BE HERE TO SOLVE THE MYSTERY OF KAMIKAKUSHI,

AND NOW FINALLY GET TO KNOW THE TRUTH!

DETECTIVE ACADEMY Q

FIRST, I HAVE ONE THING TO CLARIFY WITH ALL OF YOU.

ALTOUGH WE CALLED OURSELVES MEMBERS OF A DETECTIVE CLUB .

BUT YOU ASKED ME TO WASTE 50 MINUTES WALKING THROUGH THE TUNNEL TO COME HERE

THATS RIGHT! REI AND I WERE SUPPOSED TO TAKE THE AFTER-NOON BUS BACK HOME!

CAN YOU SPEAK UP NOW...! 'DETECTIVE' KYU

YOU ASKED US TO GATHER HERE, WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO ACCOMPLISH...?

THE DETECTIVE SCHOOL!

BUT IN REALITY WE ARE SENT HERE TO SOLVE THE MYSTERY OF KAMIKAKUSHI BY...

!?

D-DONT TELL M-ME YOU A-ARE... LEGENDARY DETECTIVE DAN'S...

DDS?!?

YES!

KAZUMA, START THE BALL ROLLING!

AHEM!! EH EH

WHAT'S THERE TO ACT

HEY YOU ARE VERY NOISY!

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BUT I WOULD LIKE TO ASK EVERYONE TO CALM DOWN AND LISTEN TO ME!

THE CLUES WE FOUND ON THE MYSTERY OF KAMIKAKUSHI WERE SHOCKING,

THE VILLAGE OF HYOTAN AND KAMIKAKUSHI,

WERE ACTUALLY USED BY THE OLD JAPANESE ARMY TO DEVELOP CHEMICAL WEAPONS BY USING SMALLPOX!

C-CHEMICAL WEAPONS?

THIS I HAVE ALREADY GOTTEN THIS THROUGH VARIOUS SOURCES ON THE OLD JAPANESE ARMY.

I HAVE FOUND A SHOCKING FACT...

THE ENCRYPTED MESSAGE OF THIS VILLAGE, AFTER AN ATTEMPT TO SOLVE IT,

IMPOSSIBLE! TH-THIS VILLAGE IS THE CENTRE FOR DEVELOPING CHEMICAL WEAPONS...?

THUS LEADING TO VARIOUS MISUNDER-STANDINGS THAT THERE IS TREASURE HERE!

JUST THE THE MOUNTAINS IN PHILLIPINES

IN A WAR, SOLDIERS USED LAYERS AND LAYERS OF ENCRYPTED MESSAGES TO COVER UP THE TRUTH,

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SIMPLY SPEAKING, IS THIS CHEMICAL WEAPON!

SO THE TREASURE YOUR TV CREW IS TRYING TO FIND IS,

ANYONE WHO IS CLOSE TO THE TRUTH, WILL BE DEALT WITH BY THE ANCIENT GUARDIANS,

IN THE NAME OF KAMIKAKUSHI AND MAKE THEM DISAPPEAR FROM THE FACE OF THE EARTH.

AFTER THE WAR, IN ORDER TO COVER UP THE TRUTH, A RELIGION OF SMALLPOX WORSHIP WAS CREATED...

THATS RIGHT! ITS BACAUSE OF THIS DANGEROUS MILITARY FACILITY THAT CREATED SO MANY TRAGEDIES.

IS CURRENTLY AMONG US!

AND THIS UNHEARD AND UNSEEN PRIEST,

THE SECRET THAT WAS GUARDED FOR 50 YEARS

HOW COULD I BE FOUND..?

THE WORLD COULD BE DESTROYED!

I HAVE TO FIND A WAY IF I DON'T FIND A METHOD TO COVER THIS UP

R-RYO-SAN!

PLEASE KNOW YOUR LIMITS!

EH?

THE HIGH PRIEST'S REAL IDENTITY IS ONE OF US... YOU GUYS ARE JUST BULLSHIT!

WHAT NONSENSE ABOUT A RELIGION BASED ON A PLAGUE,

THE NIGHT WHEN PRODUCER IWASHIMIZUI WAS STABBED BY THE KITCHEN KNIFE.

AND HOW DO YOU EXPLAIN WHAT HAPPENED YESTERDAY NIGHT?

YOU ALL SEEM BENT ON ACCUSING THE HIGH PRIEST AS THE KILLER,

AND HE SHOULD HAVE A SOLID ALIBI!

THE HIGH PRIEST DID NOT LEAVE THE VILLAGE ONE STEP,

THE HIGH PRIEST HAD ALREADY LOCKED HIMSELF UP FROM THE DAY AND DID NOT LEAVE THE COMPOUND.

NOT ONLY THAT...

WHEN THE CORPSE OF THAT FEMALE TV REPORTER CALLED RIO WAS FOUND,

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BUT THEY DIDNT SEE ANYBODY RESEMBLING THE H GH PRIEST PASSING THROUGH, RIGHT?

THAT TIME, MEG AND RYU GAINED THE PERMISSION OF THE HIGH PRIEST,

AND WERE CONSTANTLY WATCHING THE ONLY ENTRANCE OF THE TUNNEL IN A SMALL HOUSE, WERENT THEY?

EVEN IF THE POLICE IS AT THE SCENE...

THE FORTY-OVER FOLLOWERS OF THE RELIGION WILL NOT TOLERATE THIS!

WITH SUCH AN ALIBI, IF YOU GUYS ARE STILL PERSISTENT ON LABELLING THE HIGH PRIEST AS THE KILLER,

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THATS RIGHT, WHEN H ROKI WAS KILLED...

I SUPPOSE THAT THE H GH PRIEST DID NOT USE THE TUNNEL...

AND WHEN RIO WAS KILLED IT WAS THE SAME,

DON'T YOU WORRY OOTAWARA!

OI OI! ARE YOU GUYS SERIOUS?

WE WILL NOT DO ANYTHING THAT TARNISHES THE NAME OF DETECTIVE DAN.

WHAT ...!?

AND BEING ABLE TO FREELY ACCESS THE TWO VILLAGES!

WITHOUT GOING THROUGH THE 30 MINUTE JOURNEY USING THE TUNNEL,

BUT HE WAS ABLE TO DO IT!

EH?

AND TO PENETRATE THE FOREST IN THE NIGHT, IT IS EQUIVALENT TO SUICIDE!

EVEN IF ITS POSSIBLE, IT WOULD TAKE MORE THAN 30 MINUTES,

PLUS, WITH THAT UNSCALABLE CLIFF, HOW DO THEY GET UP AND DOWN OF IT?

HOW CAN THIS BE! I LIVED HERE FOR OVER 30 YEARS,

THERE HAD NEVER BEEN ANYONE WHO WENT OVER TO THE OTHER VILLAGE WITHOUT USING THE TUNNEL!

BUT NOW I KNOW I WAS WRONG!

THATS WHAT I THOUGHT INITIALLY,

SO WHEN THE MURDERS OCCURED, I DIDNT THINK THE OTHER VILLAGERS WOULD BE THE KILLERS,

THAT PERSON IS...!

SOMEBODY?

THANKS TO SOMEBODY...

AH...

IT CAN'T BE..? SUSUWA IS THE MURDERER?

IT IS YOU!

EH?

SUSUMU!

AROUND 3 YEARS AGO, I STAYED AT THE OPPOSITE VILLAGE FOR AROUND HALF A YEAR...

I CERTAINLY WAS A WORSHIPPER OF A PLAGUE GOD,

HEY, WE DIDNT SAY YOU WERE THE KILLER!

S-STOP THIS BULLSH T!

WHY WOULD I WANT TO KILL THEM..

DING-DONG!

AND YOU SAID THESE WORDS RIGHT?

THATS RIGHT! ACTUALLY WE...

OVERHEARD ALL OF YOU TALKING WHEN U WERE GIVING THE STATEMENTS TO THE POLICE,

EVEN IF I REACHED HYOTAN VILLAGE IT WOULD BE A COINCIDENCE...

OF COURSE! I WAS SUPPOSED TO STAY IN KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE!

YOU SAID YOU NEVER LIVED IN THE OTHER VILLAGE BEFORE

YEA... SO? WHAT ABOUT IT?

...

I SUDDENLY REMEMBERED SOMETHING...

WHEN I HEARD YOU SAY THIS

...AM I RIGHT?

THEY CLEARLY SAID 'SUSUWA-SAN WAS STILL AT THE NEIGHBORING VILLAGE 3 YEARS AGO'!

D'INGDONG!

I HEARD SOMEONE IN KAMIKAKUSHI TALKED ABOUT YOU...

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MIO!

BUT WHY DID YOU SAY SUSUWA WAS FROM THE 'NEIGHBORING VILLAGE'?

YOU SHOULD BE CALLING FROM KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE.

EKIGAMI!

LOOKING AT U FEIGNING IGNORANCE, I THINK I WAS RIGHT!

W-WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?

AND THE ONE WHO MADE PEOPLE BELIEVED IN KAMIKAKUSHI, THE REAL MURDERER!

...

YOU ARE THE HIGH PRIEST,

MIO IS THE HIGH PRIEST?

ITS HER?

IM-IMPOSSI-BLE!

SO YOU ACCIDENTALLY SAID THAT THE 'NEIGHBOURING VILLAGE' WHICH WAS KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE!

AFTER LISTENING TO SUSUWA,

I THOUGHT THAT WHEN U WERE DRUGGING HIROKI-SAN FOR HIM TO SLEEP AND KILLED HIM, ACTUALLY YOU WERE AT HYOTAN VILLAGE!

HMM ...

...

AM I RIGHT?

...

EVEN IF I DID THAT... IT WAS ONLY A SLIP OF TOUNGUE!

ニラ。

MR KYU

DID I REALLY SAID 'NEIGHBOURING VILLAGE' AT THAT TIME?

A-AND, WHEN I WAS ON THE PHONE, THE BELL IN THE NEIGHBORING VILLAGE JUST RANG.

YOU WOULD HAVE HEARD IT IN THE PHONE TOO RIGHT?

WHY WOULD I KILL HIROKI-SAN FOR NO REASON?

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...

I HAVE BEEN WAITING MIO-SAN.

THAT TIME WHEN I WAS AT THE HALL OF RYOZANPAKU,

AH IT'S ALREADY 11! IM REALLY SORRY TO CALL AT THIS TIME... I'M AT THE HALL NOW...

EH! WHAT IS THE SITUATION HERE? ITS LIKE THIS OVER HERE...

WASNT I CALLING MR.Q IN VILLAGE HYOTAN?

NOT ONLY THE BELL CAN BE A PROOF,

YOU CAN ASK RYU, HE SHOULD KNOW THAT I DIDNT USE THE TUNNEL...

AND. . AH!

RI-RIGHT!

THE TIME OF THE CALL CAN BE CHECKED BY JUST CALLING THE SERVICE PROVIDER!

AND WHILE I CALLED MR.KYU,

MR.KYU, ARENT YOU MY WITNESS FOR MY ALIBI?

IN THE PHONE I HEARD SOUND OF GLASS BREAKING...

HOW WOULD YOU KNOW THIS?

LYING IN HIS BED...?

WHILE YOU GUYS WERE RUSHING THERE, HIROKI WAS LYING IN HIS BED...

THE ONES WHO KNOW THIS SHOULD ONLY BE THE POLICE...

AND THE ONES AT HYOTAN VILLAGE WHO HAVE SEEN HIROKI-SAN'S CORPSE?

WHY IS IT LIKE THIS?

EH . MIO-CHAN ...

DIDNT YOU BLUSH THE FIRST TIME U SAW RYU? DONT TELL ME THAT WAS AN ACT? EVEN TIL NOW I COULDNT BELIEVE...

THE FIRST TIME I SAW A MURDERER... THE MURDERER WAS ACTUALLY SOMEONE LIKE YOU... IN ORDER TO COVER UP THE LIE BEHIND THESE VILLAGES YOU CAN BE SO CRUEL...

ON THE PRETEXT OF TREASURE HUNTING, MESSING UP THE WHOLE VILLAGE...

ALL THE OTHERS ARE THE SAME!

NO SHAME AT ALL, SO DARING!

PL-PLEASE KNOW YOUR LIMITS!

I HAVE SUFFICIENT ALIBI, BUT YOU STILL ACCUSED ME..!

LIES...? WHAT IS THE LIE OF THIS VILLAGE?

ARE YOUR AIMS TO MESS UP THE WHOLE VILLAGE!?

IN THE END THEY EVEN TOOK THE PLAGUE GOD AS A JOKE...

!!

EVERYONE ELSE PLEASE FOLLOW!

THEN COME WITH ME, MIO.

SINCE YOU ARE SO ADAMANT,

I KNOW,

SHOW YOU...

WE WILL NOW,

THE THING THAT HAD BEEN ENVELOPING THESE VILLAGES...

THE INCREDIBLE LIE...

.....

ALONG WITH THE PLANS THAT MIO USED TO SET UP THE DARING ALIBIS!

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RAW PROVIDER: NITESHBHASIN

TRANSLATOR: DINGMAN

CLEANER: MIRA

TYPESETTER: COOKIEZ

QUILITY CHECKER: ALPHAXERO

OH MY! THESE VILLAGES...

WERE WHERE THEY DEVELOPED A BACTERIO-LOGICAL WEAPON...

KUROZUMI-SAN! ARE THERE PEOPLE THAT HAVE BEEN LIVING IN THESE TWO VILLAGES SINCE THE MIDDLE OF THE WAR?"

LAST YEAR THE LAST OF THEM, FUJIMA-JIISAN WHO'S RELATED TO MIO'S FATHER-IN-LAW, DIED

BUT INDEED, THEY WERE THE LAST SURVIVORS AMONG THOSE WHO WAS BEHIND THAT SIN COMMITED IN THIS VILLAGE DURING THE WAR

IT'S THOSE PEOPLE WHO CREATED THIS VILLAGE'S GREAT LIE, RIGHT?!..

HEY... WHAT DO YOU MEAN? WHAT SIN?

AND WHAT BIG "LIE" TO COVER IT...?

AND THE ANSWER TO THAT IS

AND THE MIRACLE IN WHICH THE CORPSES OF THE HIGHSCHOOLERS WHO HAD DISAP-PEARED, HAD BEEN FOUND IN HYOUTAN

CAN, AS WELL BE EXPLAINED IF THAT LIE WERE TO GO LOOSE

THAT EKISHINKYO TEMPLE!!

BEHIND THE WALL OF...

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BECAUSE OF THAT, SHE HAD A PERFECT ALIBI... ISN'T THAT WHAT YOU MEAN?

AN ALIBI TRICK THAT'S VERY SMOOTH!

BUT... THERE IS A BIG LIE IN THIS VILLAGE THAT'S ALREADY BEEN SET UP BY MIO

LAST NIGHT, WHEN MR IWASHIMIZU, WHO WAS IN THE MAIN BUILDING OF RYOZANPAKU INN IN HYOTAN VILLAGE, WAS KILLED...

AND TALKING TO ME THROUGH PHONE FROM THE LOBBY BUILDING RYO-ZANPAKU IN KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE

MIO HAD ALREADY PASSED THE TUNNEL WHICH WAS BEING WATCHED OVER...

THEN, TWO TO THREE MINUTES LATER...

YOU APPEAR IN MR IWASHI-MIZU'S ROOM IN HYOTAN VILLAGE...

THAT TIME, YOU PURPOSELY MADE ME HEAR THE TICKING CLOCK SOUND WHICH WAS IN THE EXTRA ROOM SO IT APPEARED YOU REALLY WERE IN KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE

WHILE CARRYING THE CORDLESS PHONE, YOU SNEAKED GOING FROM THE INN, TO THE MAIN BUILDING

THE CORDLESS TELEPHONE OF THE INN!

AND... THE IM-PORTANT TOOL TO SUPPORT THAT ALIBI IS...

HEY, KYU! THE PREPARATION HERE IS ALREADY OK!

HOW CAN THERE BE A TRICK LIKE THAT.

TO PASS THAT TUNNEL ITSELF WOULD NEED 30 MINUTES...

IMPOSSIBLE!

AND STABBED HIM!

WHAT ARE YOU CARRYING A HOE FOR!?

IT'S DECIDED, RIGHT?

THIS WALL THAT'S STORING THIS LIE...

AH...!?

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WILL WE DESTROY IT!!

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AH..?

HUUH!! ONCE AGAIN!!

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THE WORLD WILL BE DESTROYED IF THAT WALL...

DON'T !!

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UWAAA!!

AAH...

W... WHAT ARE YOU DOING!

IT'S BETTER IF YOU SEE IT WITH YOUR OWN EYES, RYO!

BEHIND THIS WALL THERE'S SOMETHING

THIS IS THE RESIDENTIAL TEMPLE OF KYOSO WHICH EVEN OTHER PEOPLE COULDN'T ENTER...!

BEHIND THE WALL?

THIS IS...

IM... IMPOS-SIBLE!

I... ISN'T THAT...?

!!

HYOTAN VILLAGE!?

THE THING THAT'S BEHIND RYOZANPAKU INN OF HYOTAN VILLAGE... IS NOT A DAM!!

PRECISELY IN FRONT OF YOUR EYES!

THAT'S RIGHT! LOOK! THAT'S THE MAIN BUILDING

!!

VILLAGE HYOTAN

THE DOOR WHERE KYOSO GOING IN AND OUT IS ACTUALLY SECOND FLOOR OF THE SUPERVISOR HUT OF THAT DAM

THEN, THE SPRING WATER WAS MADE TO PURPOSELY FLOW THROUGH PASSING THE WALL SO IT APPEARS LIKE A DAM!

VILLAGE KAMIKAKUSHI

THE REAL FORM OF THE BIG LIE IN THIS VILLAGE!?

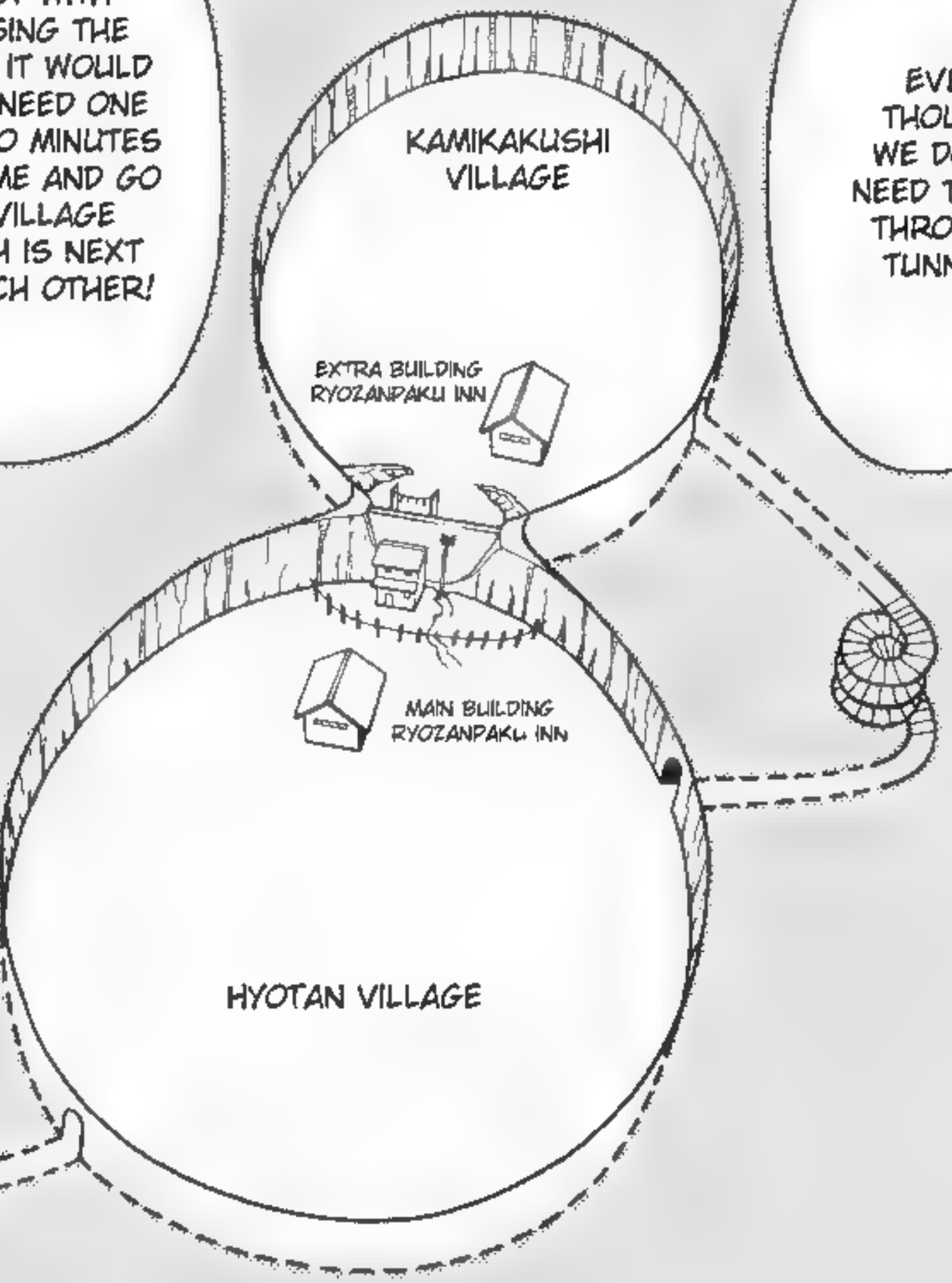
WITH THIS... YOU ALL UNDERSTAND RIGHT?

IT'S ALSO A PART OF HYOTAN VILLAGE THAT'S BEING LIMITED BY A WALL AND MADE ALL OF US FOOLED!

THE VILLAGE WHICH WE ALL THOUGHT AS KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE...

JUST WITH PASSING THE WALL, IT WOULD ONLY NEED ONE OR TWO MINUTES TO COME AND GO TO VILLAGE WHICH IS NEXT TO EACH OTHER!

EVEN THOUGH WE DON'T NEED TO GO THROUGH TUNNEL,



AND JUST AS I ESTIMATED...

WHEN I REALISED IT, I CONTACTED RYU IN KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE IMMEDIETLY AND ASKED THE SUN'S POSITION

THE PICTURE, WHICH IS SIMILAR TO THE NUMBER 8 OR THIS NUMERAL SYMBOL OF INFINITY, IS ACTUALLY EXACTLY AS WHAT WE SEE.

THE DISAPPEARED UNIVERSITY STUDENT WHO WAS USING A COMPASS ALSO REALISED IT, AND MADE THE PICTURE AS A QUIZ.

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BUT, THE SUN POSITION THAT WAS SEEN BY RYU AND I TURNS OUT TO BE BOTH ON THE RIGHT SIDE

IF THE BOTH VILLAGE ARE REALLY VILLAGES NEXT TO EACH OTHER AND BEING SEPARATED BY TUNNEL, THE SUN POSITION SHOULD MUTUALLY BE ON OPPOSITES...

BY PLAYING THE ROLE OF KYOSO FROM EK'SHINKYO SECT AND OF FUMA MIO FROM THE INN STAFF...

TURNS OUT YOU CAN COME AND GO FROM BOTH VILLAGE BY PASSING THE WALL

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BECAUSE OF THE TURNS IN THE DARK SPIRAL STAIRS, WE DON'T REALISE THAT ACTUALLY WE ALREADY RETURNED TO THE BEGINNING DIRECTION!

THE EFFECT IS THE SAME AS THAT TUNNEL!

LIKE THE GAME WHEN BEING SPUN AROUND TO BREAK A WATERMELON BLINDFOLDED, OF COURSE WE LOSE OUR WAY, RIGHT?

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AND STRAIGHT AWAY WENT TO THE MAIN INN BUILDING THAT'S ACROSS THE DAM

SO.

RYU SAID

YOU SNEAKED OUTSIDE PASSING THE TEMPLE GATE ON THE WALL WHILE TRYING TO EXTEND THE CONVERSATION WITH ME ON THE PHONE...

YES

YOU MADE AN ALIBI TRICK TO KILL MR IWASHIMIZU

THEN, TO COMPLETE THAT GAME...

YES

YOU ENTERED THROUGH THE UN-LOCKED DOOR

YES

USING WIRE...

THE CORDLESS PHONE CAN STILL BE USED, RIGHT?

BECAUSE THE DISTANCE BETWEEN THE MAIN BUILDING AND THE EXTRA BUILDING IS ACTUALLY ONLY 70 80 METRES

AND STRAIGHT AWAY WENT TO IWASHIMIZU'S ROOM WHO FELL ASLEEP BECAUSE OF MEDICINE INFLUENCE.

IN THE PAST, HE CAME A COUPLE OF TIMES TO THIS VILLAGE

OK

RIGHT...

SO, MISS KAGAMI ALSO...!?

HUH~

A GIRL THAT SWEET IS ACTUALLY A BRUTAL MURDER...!

IM... IMPOS-SIBLE...

YOU KILLED MR IWASHIMIZU

AFTER TALKING TO ME THROUGH THE PHONE

W- WAIT A MINUTE

THEN THERE WOULDN'T BE A GRAVEYARD IN KAMI-KAKUSHI VILLAGE AND THE CORPSES OF UNIVERSITY STUDENTS COULD JUST BE TRANSPORTED THROUGH THE WALL.

IF THE ENTIRE PLACE IS ORIGINALLY A SINGLE VILLAGE,

I'M SURE I WOULDN'T HAVE REALISED IT...

IF YOU DIDN'T SAY THAT KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE, WHICH YOU SAW FROM YOUR PLACE, IS LOCATED AS A "NEXTDOOR VILLAGE"

IT WAS WIPED AWAY...

THAT'S ATTACHED IN DOCUMENTS I INVESTI-GATED

IF THAT'S SO, WHERE IS THE REAL KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE?

NO, MORE PRECISELY...

BUT NOW, IT'S ALREADY DISAPPEARED...

YES... OF COURSE KAMI-KAKUSHI VILLAGE EXISTS...

BY PEOPLE THAT USED TO LIVE IN HYOTAN VILLAGE...

WHY BOTH VILLAGES BUILT SO THEY COULD ONLY BE REACHED THROUGH TUNNEL?

AS A RESULT OF THE SMALL-POX DISEASE SPREADING, THE DEATH RATE COULD REACH MORE THAN 30%, IT TRULY IS A DEADLY VIRUS

FROM THE VIRUS DEVELOP-MENT THAT WAS DONE, IT SEEMS THEY SUCCEEDED INVENTING A VARIETY OF THE SMALLPOX VIRUS THAT'S STRONGER...

LIKE KAZUMA HAD SAID EARLIER...

IN THE PAST, HYOTAN VILLAGE AND KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE WERE MADE AS PLACES OF DEVELOPMENT BIOLOGICAL WEAPON THAT'S USING SMALLPOX VIRUS

AT LAST HAPPENED IN KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE

THEN, THAT BAD EVENT ITSELF...

BECAUSE THEY WANTED TO COVER UP...

IN CASE A BAD EVENT HAPPENED!

WAS EXPERIENCING LEAKAGE AND TOUCHED THE RESEARCHERS

THE VARIETY OF THE SMALLPOX VIRUS WHICH WAS DEVELOPED FOR A BIOLOGICAL WEAPON

THE ONLY TUNNEL WHICH LEAD TO THE VILLAGE...!

AT LAST DECIDED TO BLOCK...

THE HYOTAN VILLAGERS WHO WERE AFRAID TO BE INFECTED BY THE HORRIBLE VIRUS...

ALL THE VILLAGERS WHO WEREN'T SICK BECAUSE THEY WERE WORRIED IT WOULD BE CONTAGIOUS...!

THEY EVEN ALSO LEFT...

THOSE PEOPLE THAT ABANDONED THE KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGERS TO PERISH, FELT SCARED OF THEIR SINS

NOT LONG AFTER THAT THE WAR STOPPED AND EVEN THE SOLDIER CITIZENS CAME TO HYOTAN VILLAGE

WE MAKE ANOTHER VILLAGE...!

I HAVE A GOOD IDEA...

EH?

WHAT IF WE JUST FLOWED THAT TUNNEL?

HOW DO WE GO ABOUT THIS! IF IT'S KNOWN TILL THE SOLDIER CITIZEN WE WOULD BE DEEMED AS WAR CRIMINALS

IDIOT! IN THAT VILLAGE, THERE'S STILL A VIRUS LEFT!

VILLAGE !?

!?

ANOTHER.

BY PURPOSELY BUILDING THE TUNNEL IN THE SHAPE OF THE INVERTED LETTER U, IT WOULD SEEM THAT ONE HYOTAN VILLAGE IS ACTUALLY TWO VILLAGES!

WHILE FROM THAT SIDE, IT WOULD BE SEEN AS THE WALL TEMPLE OF EKISHIKYO SECT

WITH THE EXISTENCE OF THE WALL BORDERING HYOTAN VILLAGE.

FROM THIS SIDE, PEOPLE WILL THINK OF IT AS A DAM

ACTUALLY, IT'S SO THAT NO ONE WOULD KNOW THAT THEY'RE THE HYOTAN VILLAGE INHABITANTS WHO WERE DISGUISING

AND THE WEIRD RULE THAT INHABITANTS OF KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE WEREN'T ALLOWED TO REMOVE THE MASK WHICH THEY'RE WEARING..

OF COURSE IN THE BEGINNING, THE VILLAGE INHABITANTS OF KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE WERE ALSO INHABITANTS OF HYOTAN VILLAGE

YOU INHERITED IT FROM YOUR GRANDFATHER, RIGHT ?

MIO...

THAT ROLE AS A SECRET GUARDIAN...

PEOPLE WHO KNEW THAT SECRET, ONE BY ONE ARE SWEPT OUT BY THE KAMI-KAKUSHI TRICK

THEN, THE IMPORTANT FIGURE KYOSO WHO IS DEEMED AS A SECRET GUARDIAN AND SUPERVISOR OF DAM HUT IS A DISGUISE FROM MIO'S GRANDFATHER...

WHO KNEW THE SECRET FROM THE INHERITANCE MEMO OF THAT UNIVERSITY STUDENT

AFTER THAT, YOU ALSO KILLED AZEGAMI..

YOU WERE THE ONE THAT KILLED THAT UNIVERSITY STUDENT, RIGHT ..?

ALSO YOU KILLED HIM WITHOUT KNOWING WHETHER HIS WORDS WERE RIGHT OR WRONG

!!

WHAT?

I ALREADY KNOW THE MEANING...

THEN, MR. ANZAI, WHO SAID IN FRONT OF YOU, WHEN YOU WERE DISGUISING AS KYOSO, THAT HE ALREADY KNEW THE MEANING OF THAT PICTURE...

!!

BECAUSE OF THE WORDS THAT WERE SAID WITHOUT THINKING BEFORE HE WOULD LEAVE FROM KAMI-KAKUSHI VILLAGE

IF NEEDED, I'LL BRING ALL OF THE SHOW'S STAFF TO REVEAL THIS ROTTEN KILLER VILLAGE AND THIS EKISHINKYO SECT!!

THEN, YOU ALSO KILLED MR IWASHI-MIZU...

!!

WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT IT, WE COULD HAVE ALSO BEEN KILLED WHENEVER, RIGHT?

IMAGINE IF WE ADMITTED WE WERE DDS MEMBERS, MAYBE AT THAT TIME.

MAYBE KYU'S RANDOM ANSWER THAT WE CAME HERE AS A SCHOOL DETECTIVE CLUB WAS QUITE APPROPRIATE

WOULD YOU PLEASE STOP...

MIO!

THESE ACTIONS?

DON'T COME CLOSER...!

EH?!

...MI ...MIO?

I BEG YOU... BE AWARE OF THESE SINFUL ACTIONS OF YOURS...

MIO...

DO YOU KNOW...

WHAT IS INSIDE THIS TUBE?

THIS IS THE EVIL VIRUS THAT WIPED OUT ALL THE VILLAGERS!

I OBTAINED IT FROM GRANDPA...

IT'S OVER!

IT'S ALL BECAUSE OF ME...

ALL BY MYSELF, I WILL...

FU FU FU THAT'S RIGHT...

WITH THIS EVIL VIRUS I WILL DISAPPEAR FROM THE WORLD...

THE LAST KAMIKAKUSHI TRAGEDY...

MI... MIO!?

THUS KEEPING MY PROMISE...

TO GRANDPA!!

AGN SCANS

Raw Provider: NiteshBhasin

Translator: Magictos

Cleaner: AlphaXero

TypeSetter: AlphaXero

Quality Checker: AlphaXero

THIS IS THE EVIL VIRUS THAT HAD DESTROYED THE ENTIRE VILLAGE...

I WILL DISAPPEAR FROM THIS WORLD WITH IT!

TO KEEP MY PROMISE TO GRANDPA!!

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DON'T COME CLOSER...!

MATTER LIKE THAT...

DON'T DO SOMETHING STUPID!!

!?

MI... MIO!?

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AFTER FIVE DAYS, ON THE ENTIRE BODY, SUPPURATION BUBBLES WOULD APPEAR WHICH WOULD TAKE OUT BLOOD...

AND YOU ALL WILL DIE IN A CONDITION SMELLING ROTTEN!

WHOEVER COME CLOSE TO IT, WOULD SURELY BE INFECTED AND HIS LIFE WOULD BE THREATENED!

THIS IS THE VARIETY OF THAT SMALLPOX VIRUS! THE EFFECT IS FAR GREATER!

I WILL THROW DOWN THIS TUBE FILLED WITH VIRUS!

IF YOU ALL COME CLOSER,

THIS COUNTRY... NO, AND THIS WORLD WOULD BE SHATTERED!

IT WILL STRAIGHT AWAY INFECTS PEOPLE WHO COME TO THAT VILLAGE BECAUSE OF ESTIMATING IT AS TREASURE

UP UNTIL NOW, THE EVIL VIRUS STILL CONTINUES TO LIVE BEHIND THE CLOSED TUNNEL...!

THAT'S RIGHT!

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SFX: SHAKE SHAKE

IT SHALL NOT...

WHEN THIS VILLAGE SECRET IS SOLVED...

... SO, ONLY THIS, IS WHAT I CAN DO!

IF THAT THING WOULD REALLY HAPPEN, FOR WHAT WOULD I STRAINING AFTER GUARDING THIS SECRET? IT CAN'T BE!

!!

WITH MY OWN BODY...

I MUST SHOW TO ALL...

AS MY PROMISE TO GRANDPA,

HOW HORRIBLE IS THIS EVIL VIRUS!!

MIO!!

MIO! DON'T DO THAT!!

BEFORE EVERYTHING'S TOO LATE!!

MI... MIO!!

CLOSE

DAMN, IT'S LOCKED FROM THE INSIDE!

KI... KINTA!?

EVERYONE, STAND ASIDE!

KYU

DO

LET'S GO, KYU!!

YES!

OK! M..., ME TOO!!

I'LL ALSO FOLLOW!!

!!

!!

HOW... HOW DO WE GO ABOUT THIS!?

.....

WE ARE DETECTIVE SCHOOL STUDENTS, NOT A PROFESSIONAL DETECTIVES

NOW, JUST HAND OVER EVERYTHING TO THE POLICE, THIS IS THEIR JOB

RYU!

DETECTIVE, IT'S BETTER IF YOU IMMEDIATELY PREPARE TROOPS WHO ARE WEARING ANTI-BACTERIAL UNIFORMS!

Y..,YES! HEY! CONTACT THE CENTRAL HQ IMMEDI-ATELY! EMERGENCY!

BESIDES, IF THAT TUBE REALLY CONTAINS VICIOUS VIRUS, MAYBE ALL OF YOU WILL DIE IF YOU GO AND FOLLOW...

SURELY MR DAN WON'T PERMIT THAT THING TO HAPPEN

B, BUT... KYU AND KINTA...

KYU...!!

BUT...

RYU'S WORDS ARE REALLY TRUE..

BUT...

JUST LEAVE IT TO ME! NOW'S THE TURN OF SECRET TOYAMA CLAN STYLE IN ACTION!!

IDIOT! IN THIS SITUATION, SINCE THE BEGINNING, YOU HAVE TO NARROW YOUR EYES AND GET USED TO IT!!

DEAD-END!!

DAMN!! IT'S DARK AS WELL!!

HURRY, COME HERE!

MIO!

WE CAN FEEL THE OPPONENT'S PRESENCE...!

WITH SHARPENING THE FIVE SENSES ..

BECAUSE OF THAT, I CAN'T LET HER DIE IN HERE!

THAT KID MAYBE REALLY IS A KILLER, BUT BASICALLY IS NOT AN EVIL PERSON!!

I UNDERSTAND..

...

OK!

IF YOU'RE IN A RUSH LIKE THAT...

MAYBE IT WAS MADE SO THAT SOMEONE WHO ENTERED THROUGH THE TEMPLE DOOR CAN GO FIRST...!

THERE'S A SECRET DOOR IN HERE!!

KINTA?

MUST BE AROUND HERE...

BINGO!!

OUCH...

AH!

UWAAAAA!!!

KYUUUUU!!

...

!?

WHEN I BREAK THIS TUBE, THE VIRUS WOULD SPREAD

LEAVE THIS VILLAGE, HURRY!

DON'T COME CLOSER!!

I'M GLAD, YOU'RE OKAY...

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MIO...!

TALKING TOGETHER WITH MOM AND DAD WHEN THEY ARRIVED AT HOME...

A NORMAL SCHOOL LIFE...

PLAYING TOGETHER WITH FRIENDS...

PEOPLE WHO UNDERGO NORMAL LIFE LIKE YOU WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND MY FEELING!!

WHY?

WHY DO YOU HAVE TO DO THAT THING!?

I... DON'T UNDER-STAND IT AT ALL...

YOU REALLY DON'T UNDER-STAND!

MIO...?

WILL NOT UNDERSTAND MY FEELINGS!!

EVERYDAY HEARING A STORY ABOUT THE HELL WORLD AS A RESULT OF THIS VIRUS...

PEOPLE LIKE YOU, WHO GROW WITH A FEELING BEING CALLED TO PROTECT THE WORLD...

EVERYTIME SEEING THE GRANDPA WHO IS LIKE THAT, I DON'T KNOW WHY, I FEEL A BIT SCARED. .

HE STRAIGHT AWAY BECAME AGITATED EVERY-TIME THERE'S SOMEONE WHO DARES TO AP-PROACH THE DAM

EVEN THOUGH USUALLY GRANDPA IS REALLY NICE

WAS ALREADY LEFT BY BOTH OF MY PAR-ENTS SINCE LITTLE

...I

. THEN THAT DAY.

I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHO IS THE REAL FORM OF HIM..

GRANDPA WHO IS ALWAYS FRIENDLY AND GRANDPA WHO'S LIKE THE DEVIL

I WAS ADOPTED AND LIVED WITH GRANDPA, JUST THE TWO OF US...

WHO WAS A SUPERVI-SOR OF THE DAM HUT

WHY DOES HE GO OUT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT ?

GRANDPA... ?

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AT LAST, I FINALLY SEE THE REAL FORM OF HIM...

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QUIETLY I FOLLOWED HIM...

SEEING GRANDPA CARRYING SHOVEL FROM WAREHOUSE AND TRANSPORTING SOMETHING WITH A WHEEL BARREL,

W.. WHAT IS GRANDPA DOING?

DIGGING A GRAVE LIKE THAT.

THAT HAS ALWAYS BEEN SURFACING QUESTIONS...

AH! HE OPENS THAT COVER.

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GRANDPA IS CARRYING A CORPSE

WHO'S OVER THERE!?

WHO'S THAT!?

MI... MIO...!!

GRANDPA, WHO WAS A YOUNG ARMY OFFICER...

LIVED IN HYOTAN VILLAGE AS ONE OF THE BIOLOGICAL DEVELOPER SOLDIER MEMBERS...

...

THE TRAGEDY THAT HAPPENED IN THIS VILLAGE 50 YEARS AGO...

... THAT NIGHT, GRANDPA NARRATED A SPOOKY STORY

IN A WAR CONDITION LIKE THIS...

HEY! 'TIL WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO SLEEP?

BUT, ONE DAY...

WHILE UNDERGOING NORMAL LIFE LIKE OF A PROPER VILLAGER

FOR THE SAKE OF KEEPING THE SECRET, THEY KEEP DEVELOPING VARIETY OF HORRIBLE SMALLPOX VIRUS...

WHEN KNOWING THAT A COUPLE OF SCIENTISTS ARE ALSO EXPERIENCING THE SAME CONDITION,

THE OFFICERS WHO LIVE IN HYOTAN VILLAGE WERE DISCUSSING IT IMMEDIATELY

IMMEDIATELY SHUT THE SPIRAL STAIR WHICH IS IN THE TUNNEL OF THAT VILLAGE!

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UWAAA!!

IT CAN'T BE HELPED! IF THE DISEASE REACHED OUTSIDE OF VILLAGE, THIS COUNTRY WILL SHATTER!!

B... BUT, ISN'T THERE STILL APPROXIMATELY 100 RESEARCHERS AND THEIR FAMILIES...

THIS IS CRUEL! ARE YOU ALL NOT HUMANS?

THIS IS THE SUPERIOR'S ORDER! WHOEVER REBELS, WILL BE SHOT DEAD!

IT'S NOT CERTAIN WE AND OUR FAMILY ARE ALREADY CONTAMI-NATED...

WHY!?

THE TUNNEL WAS SEALED WITH CEMENT

EVEN THOUGH HE REALLY WANTED TO HELP THE SCIENTISTS

FOR THE SAKE OF PEOPLE IN THE WORLD

TO KEEP GUARDING THIS SECRET

THE SOLDIERS IN HYOTAN VILLAGE HAVE SWORN...

AND BUILDING THAT WALL...

THEY WERE DIGGING BACK THE U-SHAPED TUNNEL TO RETURN TO HYOTAN VILLAGE

THEN, THE WAR ENDS... USING WHICH WAS FORMERLY AN EXCAVATING SITE BEING HOLD ON BECAUSE OF THE ROCK CLIFF

WE WILL BECOME THE SHIELD...!

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WHICH GOD KNOWS 'TIL WHEN IT WOULD BE LEFT HERE

FOR THE SAKE OF PROTECTING THIS COUNTRY FROM THE VIRUS...

MUST CONTINUE TO BE CAREFUL SO THAT IT WON'T RAISE SUSPICION

I, WHO LIVED NORMAL IN THE BEGINNING, MUST UNDERGO A SECRET LIFE LIKE THIS...

AND LEARNING MANY THINGS FROM GRANDPA WHO APPOINTED TO KEEP GUARDING THIS SECRET...

SINCE I HEARD THAT STORY, I QUIT SCHOOL WHEN I WAS SITTING IN ELEMENTARY

MIO, AFTER I PASSED AWAY, YOU MUST BECOME KYOSO FROM EKISHINKYO SECT AND GUARDING THE WALL WELL ALONG WITH THE SECRET OF THIS VILLAGE!

ALL FOR THE SAKE OF HUMAN BEINGS IN THIS WORLD!

WHOEVER KNOWS THIS SECRET, YOU MUST MAKE HIM EXPERIENCE THE KAMIKAKUSHI EVENT!

EVERYDAY, GRANDPA WOULD ALWAYS NARRATE THE ACCIDENT EVENT TO ME

WHILE TAKING OUT THIS VIRUS TUBE FROM FRIDGE, HE SAID ..

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...YES, GRAND-PA...

IF, ON ONE DAY, THIS SECRET IS DISCLOSED, YOU MUST BREAK THIS VIRUS TUBE... AND SHOW TO THE WORLD USING YOURSELF, HOW HORRIBLE IS THIS VIRUS! UNDERSTAND!?

SO THAT THE EVENT IS DEEMED AS KAMI-KAKUSHI...

IT REALLY WAS SCARY, BUT I HAVE TO KEEP TRYING...

LAST YEAR, GRANDPA PASSED AWAY, AND I WAS THEN HOLDING THIS ROLE...

MY FIRST KAMIKAKUSHI EVENT WAS THAT UNIVERSITY STUDENT

I FELT VERY RELIEVED!

SEEING THAT TRAIL, THE POLICE VILLAGE SCREAMED "THIS IS KAMIKAKUSHI!" AND RAN STRAIGHT AWAY

USING THE RUBBER BOAT OF THAT UNIVERSITY STUDENT, I HAD AN IDEA TO LEAVE TRAILS IN THE MIDDLE OF THE FIELD

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KAMIKAKUSHI IS VERY IMPORTANT ...

SO THAT THERE'S NOT MANY VICTIMS IF THAT VIRUS WOULD LEAK..

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JUST LIKE GRANDPA SAID, I WILL NOT LET ANYONE ENTER THAT ENCLOSED VILLAGE...

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IT'S OKAY.

WITH THIS, I CAN GUARD THE VILLAGE SECRET...

I FEEL SOMETHING OF ANOTHER POSSES MY BODY . !

REPEATEDLY, THOSE GRANDPA'S WORDS HAVE PASSED IN MY HEAD

I MUST DO A SMALL SACRIFICE

SO THAT THERE WOULN'T BE BIG LOSS

...

YES...
THAT MUST BE
EKIGAMI-SAMA...

BECAUSE OF
THAT, I DON'T FEEL
AFRAID!

FOR THE
SAKE OF DESTROYING
THE ANGER OF THE GOD,
I DID A RELIGIOUS
CEREMONY AS A
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AS A MIKO,
[illegible]

[illegible]
THIS VILLAGE
WOULD FOREVER
[illegible]

...IKE THAT
FOREVER...

IF I POUR
THIS VIRUS ON
MY BODY,

YOU ALL
WILL SEE HOW
HORRIBLE IS THE
RESULT...

THAT'S A LIE!!!

!?

W... WHAT DID YOU SAY!

YOU'VE BEEN TRICKED BY YOUR GRANDPA!!

THE WORDS FOR THE SAKE OF PROTECTING THE WORLD, IS A LIE!

THEIR OWN SELVES!!

WHAT THEY REALLY WANTED TO PROTECT IS...

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THE SOLDIERS WHO CHOSE TO LET THE VILLAGERS OF THAT VILLAGE DIED...

ALSO, YOUR GRANDPA, WHO DURING TENS OF YEARS, KEEP KILLING FOR THE SAKE OF HIDING THE EXISTENCE OF THAT VILLAGE

WHAT THEY WANTED TO PROTECT IS NOT THIS WORLD!

SO THAT IT WASN'T KNOWN THAT THEY KEEP KILLING PEOPLE ITSELF, YOU UNTIL GOT INVOLVED!

IT'S THE SAME LIKE YOUR GRANDPA AND THE OTHERS, BECAUSE THEY DON'T WANT TO GET INFECTED OF THAT DISEASE, THEY HAVE THE HEART TO LET THEIR FRIENDS

EVERYTIME SEEING THE NEWS ABOUT WARS ON TV OR NEWS, I ALWAYS THINK... WHO ARE THE ONES WHO WANT A SAD THING LIKE THIS?

SURELY ALL THE SOLDIERS WHO WERE INVOLVED ARE REALLY ONLY THINKING ABOUT THEMSELVES! THE WORDS OF FOR THE SAKE OF PROTECTING THE WORLD... THAT'S ONLY A LIE...

BECAUSE OF THAT, MIO...

YOU CAN'T BE INFLUENCED BY THE GHOST OF THE PASS THAT'S CALLED THE KAMIKAKUSHI!

AND ORDERING YOU, WHO HAVE NO CONNECTION AT ALL TO DO SOMETHING THIS BRUTAL ...!

FOR THE SAKE OF PROTECTING THEIR OWN SLYNESS, THEY WOULD USE UNTIL THE REASON OF PROTECTING THE WORLD...

...IT'S FAR TOO MUCH...

MI...
MIO...

STOP IT...

SFX: tears

I ALREADY HAVE NO OTHER PLACE TO RETURN...

BESIDE THIS VILLAGE...

I DON'T WANT TO HEAR IT...

DON'T SAY THAT THING NOW...

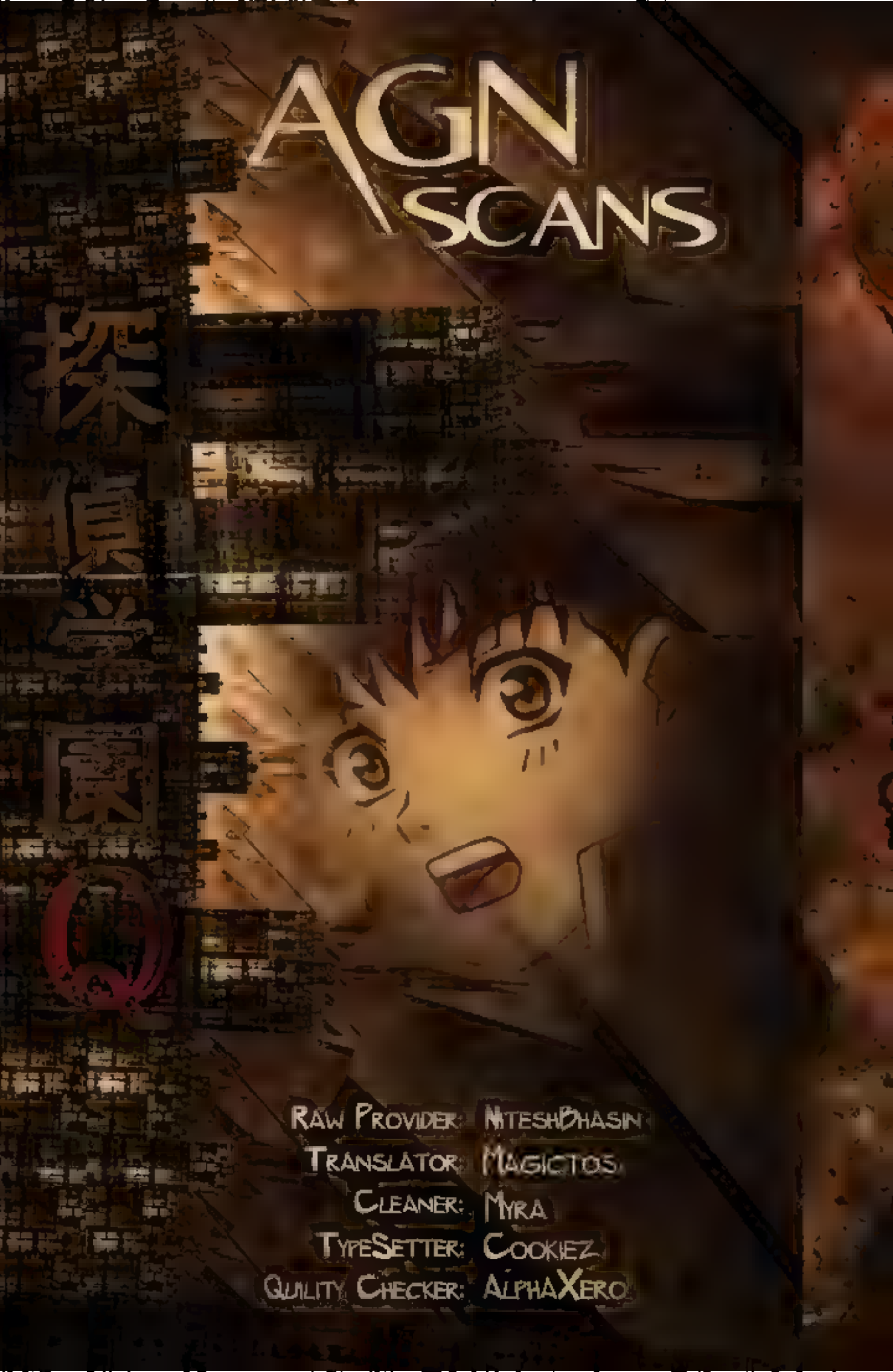
BECAUSE... I ALREADY KILLED...

OTHER PLACE!

THERE'S NO...

MI... MIO!

SFX: smash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STOP DON'T COME AFTER ME!

WAIT MIU!

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KINTA!!!

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AH!

WAAA!! THAT TUBE BROKE AND WEIRD LIQUID CAME OUT!?

EEEH!?

FUUH! ENOUGH WITH ONE PUNCH!!

KINTA! THAT VIRUS TUBE...!?

KYU

AH...!

AAH!

AAAAH...

OI, KYU! YOU DON'T NEED TO BE LIKE THAT ..

I SUCCEEDED CATCHING THAT TUBE!

GEEZ!

...
KYU
...

I DON'T KNOW WHAT I SHOULD DO IF IT DID REALLY HAPPEN...

SHE DIDN'T DIE...

I'M GRATEFUL
..

HA...

HA HA...

KA... KAZUMA!

...

I THINK, GIVING DIRECTION TO POLICE IN A CALM MANNER LIKE THAT IS REALLY AMAZING

...BUT!

BOTH OF YOU, ALSO, GET OUT OF HERE QUICKLY

YOU'RE SO CALM, RYU

DETECTIVE, ASK THE VILLAGERS, SO THAT THEY FLEE FROM THIS VILLAGE

YES

THEN

TURNS OUT WE HAVE DIFFERENT OPINIONS!!

I KNOW, BUT... MAYBE YOU CAN'T TELL THAT THING TO ME BECAUSE I'M NOT LIKE KYU AND KINTA WHO STRAIGHT AWAY JUMP IN...

... I'M ONLY DOING WHAT I CAN DO

LIKE RYU SAID, WE HAVE TO DO WHAT WE CAN DO

I UNDER-STAND WHAT KAZUMA MEANT

BUT, NOW IT'S NOT THE TIME TO FIGHT!

MEG...

STOP IT, BOTH OF YOU!

!?

NO NEED, MEG!!

FIRST, HELP THE VILLAGERS TO IMMEDIATELY FLEE FROM THIS VILLAGE

H, HOW'S THE VIRUS TUBE!?

IT'S HERE! LOOK, TA-DA!

UH...

KINTA!

KYU!

DAMN. MY EYES ARE BEING ENTERED BY DUST

HEY, KAZUMA! YOU'RE CRYING, HUH?

W, WHO THE HELL IS CRYING!

THANK GOD!! I'M REALLY TRULY GLAD!!

WAAA! STEP ASIDE! THE TUBE WOULD FALL LATER!

ESPECIALLY THE BOY NAMED KYU ..! I DON'T KNOW WHY, I'M BECOMING ATTRACTED

JUST AS THE APPRAISAL MR DAN... VERY INTERESTING

I SEE

WITH THIS

THE DARK SHADOW HISTORY WHICH HAUNTS HYOTAN VILLAGE AND KAMIKAKUSHI VILLAGE AT LAST HAS VANISHED...

THE CURTAIN OF THE UNIVERSITY MURDER CASE WHICH WAS DEEMED AS THAT KAMIKAKUSHI EVENT ..

SLOWLY IS CLOSED...

WHERE... IS ?

.....?

NO

SHE'S CON-SCIOUS!

HEY!

MIO, AFTER KINTA PUNCHED YOU, YOU'VE BEEN SLEEPING DURING THESE TWO DAYS!

YOU MUST BE REALLY TIRED, HUH!

HAVE SOME! THIS IS PUMPKIN MANJU CAKE

IT'S QUITE DELICIOUS!

WHAT IS THAT NOISY SOUND?

THE POLICE IS INVESTI-GATING THE DAMAGED VILLAGE IN THE END OF THE TUNNEL

AFTER THAT WALL VANISHED, MY LIFE HAS NO MORE MEANING ANYMORE

WHY ARE YOU ALL HELPING ME?

EVERYTHING HAS ENDED! THIS WORLD! JUST AS THE VIRUS IS SPREADING...

WHAT!? DIDN'T I SAY!

SOME-THING?

NO NEED TO WORRY, MIO

THERE'S SOMETHING I WANT TO SHOW YOU!

FOLLOW ME, MIO

!?

MUST BE THE SKULLS FROM PEOPLE WHO WERE WAITING FOR AID

WHICH WAS BEHIND THAT WALL..

THAT OBJECT WHICH WAS INSIDE THE TUNNEL, ON TOP OF THE SPIRAL STAIR!

DON'T TELL ME, CORPSE?

!?

BUT

YOU ALL DON'T KNOW ANYTHING

IN THAT VILLAGE ...

D... DON'T

EH?

THERE'S A SCENERY LIKE HEL... !!

JUST RELAX, MIO!

IF WE ENTERED THERE, THAT EVIL VIRUS WILL. !!

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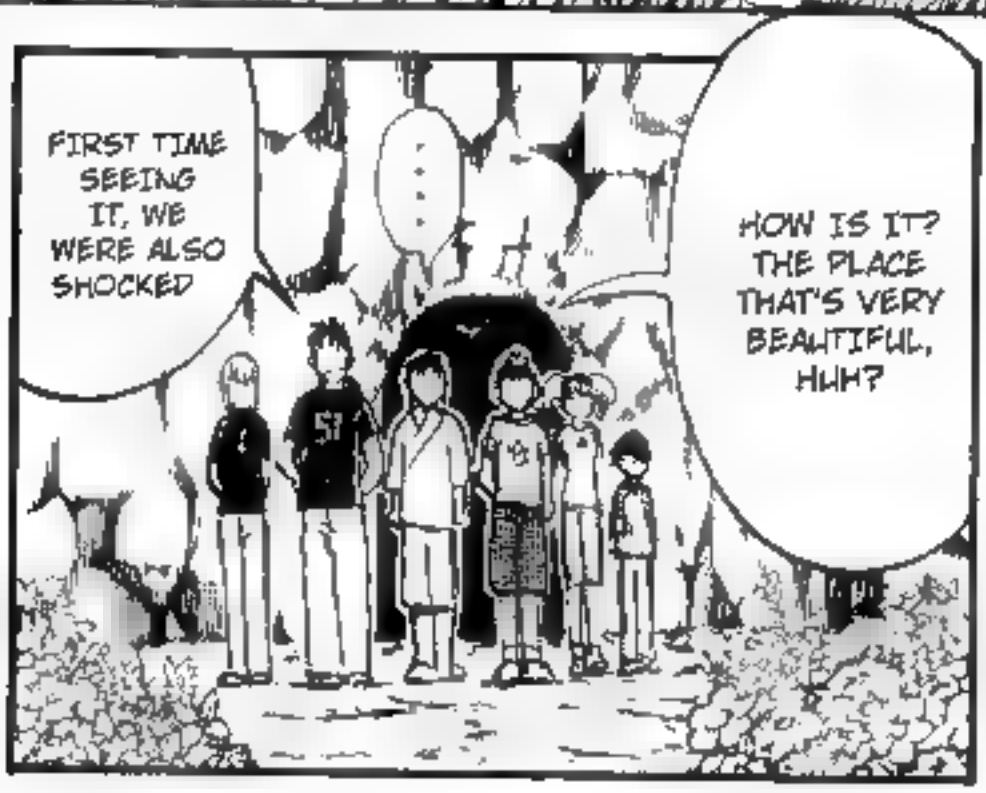
THIS IS...!


FIRST TIME SEEING IT, WE WERE ALSO SHOCKED
HOW IS IT? THE PLACE THAT'S VERY BEAUTIFUL, HUH?

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THIS?

ON THE CONTRARY, IT'S A VILLAGE WITH A BEAUTIFUL FLOWER FIELD!

THIS IS NOT HELL JUST LIKE WHAT WAS SAID BY MIO'S GRANDPA.

W... WHAT DO YOU MEAN...!?

LOOKS LIKE, A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO. THERE'S SOMEONE WHO'S PLANTING IT

EH?

LOOK OVER THERE, THERE'S A MULBERRY TREE THAT WAS SELF-PLANTED

IT SEEMS LIKE THIS IS A FIELD..

.....!!

IT MEANS, PREVIOUSLY, IN THIS VILLAGE, THERE WERE A COUPLE OF PEOPLE WHO WERE STILL ALIVE..

THEY LIVED HERE FOR TENS OF YEARS!

WITHOUT KNOWING THAT THE WAR HAS ENDED,

SURELY, THEY'RE ALSO FEELING LIKE THAT!

THERE'S A STORY ABOUT A YOUNG LIEUTENANT, MOTO ONODA, WHO KEPT LIVING ON PIT ISLAND FOR 30 YEARS WITHOUT KNOWING THAT THE WAR HAS ENDED

NEWS THAT PEOPLE WHO WERE INFECTED BY THE VIRUS, 100% COULDN'T BE SAVED TURNS OUT TO BE A LIE!

BESIDES, LOOKS LIKE THERE ARE GRAVES OVER THERE.

WE DIDN'T FIND ANY CORPSE OR ANYTHING IN THE TUNNEL JUST LIKE YOU SAID JUST NOW

MAYBE, THEY, WHO WERE STILL ALIVE, HAD ALREADY BURIED THEM

THE ACCIDENT EVENT OF THE LEAKAGE OF THAT VIRUS WAS REALLY TRUE

MAYBE MANY PEOPLE WERE REALLY DEAD, LOOKING FROM THE CONDITION OF THIS VILLAGE

THE STORY ABOUT THE VIRUS TUBE. WAS ONLY A MADE-UP STORY BY YOUR GRANDPA SO THAT YOU GET SCARED.

AND WANTED TO DO HIS ORDER

T... THAT'S A LIE!?

BESIDES THAT, INSIDE THE TUBE THAT YOU CARRIED, THERE'S NO DANGEROUS VIRUS!

OF THOSE WHO HAVEN'T LIVED HERE IN THIS VILLAGE FOR A LONG TIME

WE FOUND THEIR TRAILS

WE ALSO FOUND THIS DIARY BOOK!

WOULD YOU LIKE TO READ IT ?

AT LEAST THERE WERE 10 PEOPLE WHO WERE STILL ALIVE AT THAT TIME

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EVEN THOUGH THEY'RE BEING ISOLATED IN A VILLAGE WHICH WAS INFECTED BY THIS CONTAGIOUS DISEASE, THEY COULD STILL KEEP ON LIVING

HUMAN IS AN EXTRAORDINARY BEING, MIO

IT LOOKS LIKE THEY ALREADY FELT LIVING PEACEFULLY IN THIS ENCLOSED VILLAGE

EVENTUALLY, THEY DON'T WRITE IT ANYMORE

EVEN THOUGH INITIALLY, THEY OFTEN THINK ABOUT HOW THIS WAR WOULD TURN OUT TO BE

TO COMPENSATE FOR YOUR MISTAKES...

BECAUSE OF THAT, MIO ALSO ISN'T ALLOWED TO GIVE UP!

MIO...

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AND QUIETLY KEEP ON CRYING...

WITHOUT MAKING ANY SOUND...

MIO READ THAT OLD DIARY

WHICH DURING ALL THIS TIME...

MAYBE AT LAST, SHE WAS ALREADY RELEASED FROM THE PAST CURSE OF THIS VILLAGE

THAT TIME...

HAS BEEN TYING HER

WITH JUST THIS, MIO WOULD RECOVER, HUH...?

DON'T WORRY! SHE WOULD SURELY BE FINE!

I THINK, SHE'S A NICE PERSON..

AH... THANK YOU VERY MUCH!

BUT IT'S A DIFFERENT MATTER IF YOU'RE ALL THE STUDENTS OF THAT LEGENDARY DETECTIVE DAN MORIHIKO!

AH, NO.

THANKS A LOT, INSPECTOR OTAWARA!

EVEN THOUGH WHEN YOU ALL SHOWED ME THE DDS POCKET BOOK AT THAT TIME I REALLY WAS PISSED FOR A MOMENT

YOU ARE ALL AMAZING!

YES!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK!!

PLEASE RELAY OUR GREETINGS TO MR DAN MORIHIKO!

BECAUSE

AH?

MAYBE WHAT WAS MEANT BY TREASURE HAS A DIFFERENT MEANING, HUH!

EVERY-ONE!

COULD ALSO BE CALLED AS TREASURE, RIGHT?

THE SCENERY OF THE BLOSSOMED FLOWERS THAT'S HEAVEN-LIKE SUCH AS THIS...

RIGHT, MEG?

I UNDER-STAND! MAYBE IT IS LIKE THAT!

IT'S NOT LIKE THAT!

IT'S IMPOSSIBLE THEY COULD DIG THE GRAVES THEMSELVES, SO OF COURSE THEY SHOULD STILL BE IN THE WHOLE CONDITION IN ONE PLACE.

WHY IS IT ON THIS VILLAGE THERE'S NO DEAD BODY OF THOSE LAST VILLAGERS?

BUT, THERE'S SOMETHING STRANGE...

?

Y... YES, RIGHT

EVEN THOUGH NOT KNOWING WHAT KIND OF HELL IS WAITING AFTER THE WAR ENDS, HE CHOSE TO GO TO THE OUTSIDE WORLD ..

IT'S BETTER THAN LIVING ALONE, AFTER SUCCEEDING TO SLIP AWAY FROM THE DANGER OF DEAD OR ALIVE,

FROM THIS ISOLATED VILLAGE...

THEY ALREADY LEFT...

RYU...?

THAT SOMEONE WAS PENETRATING A THICK FOREST WHICH WAS COVERED BY THICK FOG...

BECAUSE INSIDE OF HIS HEART, HE HAS HOPE AND COURAGE TO SEE THE NEW WORLD ..

THEN HE FELL DOWN...

MAYBE HE DARED TO CLIMB THAT STEEP MOUNTAIN...

THAT TIME...

ME, KYU, AS WELL AS THE OTHERS DON'T UNDER-STAND

.....

.....

ONLY ALONE WITH HIMSELF...

YES!

THAT'S RIGHT!!

WE ALSO HAVE TO GO BACK, RIGHT!

WELL!

THE PLACE WHERE MR DAN IS WAITING FOR US!!

RETURNING TO DDS

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INITIALLY, I WANT TO DRAW HIM WITH AN IMAGE OF A PROFESSOR, BUT THERE WAS SOMEONE WHO SAID IT ENDED UP LOOKING LIKE NOBITA

2.

THE STYLE OF AFRO ELEMENTARY STUDENT. BUT, AT THIS TIME, THAT HAIRSTYLE IS PROBABLY, NOT BE ON TOP ANYMORE.

CHARACTER TOPIC – THE DRAWING PROCESS OF KAZUMA

AT LAST, I'VE DECIDED THAT KAZUMA WOULD BECOME LIKE THIS

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THEN, I TRIED DRAWING IT WITH DREAD-HEAD PLUS A HAT.... NOT SUITABLE

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CHAPTER 30: HARD WARNING

FUUUUH!! AT LAST WE'RE BACK TO DDS

ACTUALLY, WE JUST WENT FOR A WEEK..

IT FEELS LIKE SUCH A LONG TIME

TODAY IS CASE REPORT SHOW, SO WE CAN GO HOME EARLIER

AH HELLO, MUM? IT'S ME!

TODAY I'LL COME EARLIER, PLEASE PICK ME UP, OK!

YES!

YES, BECAUSE OF ME WHO IN THE LAST MOMENT SUCCEEDED TAKING THE VIRUS TUBE

IT'S PLEASING, HUH! WE COULD FINISH THIS FIRST CASE..

THIS BRAT

ORDINARY BENZ?

YES .. SO THAT IT DOESN'T STAND OUT, TODAY I'LL JUST USE THE ORDINARY BENZ!

WELL... IF IT'S MEG, IT'S DIFFERENT... YOU'RE A GIRL!

Y... YES

OH? A BRAT LIKE YOU WHO COULD ONLY BE QUIET AND SCARED...

DON'T TALK AS IF YOU ALONE WERE THE ONE SOLVING THAT CASE! BESIDES, THAT TUBE TURNS OUT TO BE EMPTY, RIGHT?

WHEN WE SUCCEEDED SOLVING WHO'S THE REAL CULPRIT, I THINK OUR ROLE IS ENOUGH UNTIL THERE ONLY

THE REST SHOULD BE GIVEN TO THE POLICE SIDE WHO'S MORE PRO

RYU!

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THUS, I TOLD MEG SO THAT SHE DIDN'T NEED TO CHASE YOU ALL AND IT'S BETTER LEAVING THAT PLACE

THAT TIME, ACTUALLY MEG WANTED TO COME

AH?

BUT, I RESTRAINED HER

WHAT IF THE TUBE CONTENT SPILLED AND TOUCHED YOU?

THEN, IF YOU ALL FAILED CONVINCING MIO.

IF SOMETHING HAPPENS TO US, THE ONES WHO WERE DOING ACTIVITIES IN THE CRIME SCENE IN THE NAME OF THE SCHOOL,

WE'RE ALL DDS STUDENT NOT DETECTIVE PROS

I NEVER SAID THAT

BUT, TRY AND THINK

WHAT IF THAT TUBE REALLY CONTAINED VIRUS?

WITH YOUR WAY OF TALKING...

HEY, RYU!

IT'S AS IF ME AND KYU LIKE TO SHOW OFF!

...

DOES HE...

REALLY WANT US TO GO THROUGH DANGER THIS FAR?

.....

BUT ..

THOSE WORDS OF YOURS REALLY MAKE SENSE!

YOU'RE RIGHT

ALL THAT RESPONSIBILITY ...

WILL FALL ON MR. DAN...!

TURNS OUT YOU AND I HAVE DIFFERENT OPINIONS...!

I SEE...

ISN'T THAT THE JOB OF A DETECTIVE!?

I WILL STILL JUMP!

IF THAT CASE WAS REPEATED AGAIN,

KI... KINTA!

WE'RE ALL Q CLASS STUDENTS AND SUCCESSOR OF MR DAN..

MUH .. ONCE AGAIN THEY'RE FIGHTING ..

BUT, IT'S REALLY SURPRISING

EH...?

RYU!!

I DON'T WANT A SUCCESSOR LIKE YOU!

BUT!

KINTA WAS THE ONE WHO DID THE LAST FINISHING .

RYU WAS THE ONE SOLVING THE TRICK AS IF THE VICTIMS GONE SWALLOWED TO THE SKY

KAZUMA WAS THE ONE WHO SOLVED THE CODE,

AREN'T I THE ONLY ONE WHO IS USELESS?

IN THIS CASE. .

T THAT'S NOT COURAGE

I THINK, THAT'S AN EXTRAORDI-NARY COURAGE!

WHEN MIO TRIED TO KILL HERSELF KYU WAS THE FIRST ONE WHO BROKE THROUGH

THE ONE WHO SUCCEEDED SOLVING THE VILLAGE SECRET WAS YOU. .

EH?

THEN, KYU WAS THE ONE WHO'S THE MOST DILIGENT IN THIS CASE

EH? SO IT'S LIKE THAT, HUH ..?

NOW THAT, WAS REALLY KYU!

AFTER THAT. . I ALSO FELT SCARED!

I SUDDENLY JUST JUMP WITHOUT THINKING LONG ANY-MORE

MR DAN IS AL-READY WAITING FOR US!

HEY! WHY DO YOU KEEP DAZING!

HEHE

FUUH

AREN'T WE FELLOWS OF Q CLASS

ACTUALLY, KINTA ALSO DIDN'T MEAN BAD! RIGHT?

I THINK, WHAT RYU SAID WASN'T WRONG

RYU! IT'S BETTER IF YOU DON'T THINK ABOUT THE WORDS OF WHAT KINTA SAID JUST NOW

HEY KINTA! DO YOU THINK YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WHO'S PUMPED UP!?

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THE SUCCESSOR OF MR DAN...!

ALSO FELLOW RIVALS...

HM? HE HAS COME!

!!

ABOUT HOW WE SOLVED THIS CASE...

WHAT IS MR DAN GOING TO SAY, HUH?

[QUALIFIED]

STAND UP!

GIVE RE-SPECT!

MR. DAN!!

FIRST OF ALL, I WANT TO SAY CONGRATULA-TIONS!

DEAR Q CLASS FELLOWS...

BUT, THERE'S SOMETHING WHICH I HAVE TO MARK MORE THAN THAT

WHICH IS, WHEN YOU ALL CARRIED THE GIRL WHO BECAME THE CULPRIT OF THAT CASE.

OUT OF THE PATH OF DARKNESS.

AND STOPPING KAMIKAKUSHI CASE THAT'S BEEN GOING ON FOR ALL THESE YEARS IS SO PERFECT

AND YOUR INVESTIGATION TO SOLVE...

THE REPORT REGARDING YOUR ACTIVITY HAVE BEEN RECEIVED ON PRIOR

EH?

.....!

HONESTLY, I DIDN'T SUSPECT YOU ALL COULD ACT THAT FAR

BUT, WE INSTEAD, AS IF TAKING DECISION FOR THE CULPRIT, SO.

MAYBE JUST AS YOU KNOW WHEN THE CULPRIT IDENTITY AND THEIR TRICK WAS OPENED, INVESTIGATION THEN FINISHED

WHAT IS IT, RYU?

MR. DAN, THERE IS SOMETHING I WANT TO ASK.

THAT TIME...

AT MR. DAN KNOWS THAT MATTER!?

I'M SUR-PRISED!

AND EXCEPT WITH INTEN-TION TO KILL HERSELF?

YOU MEAN, WHEN FUMA MIO CARRIED THE TUBE WHICH WAS ASSUMED CON-TAINING THE DANGEROUS VIRUS

I THINK, AS STUDENTS, WE DON'T NEED TO GO THROUGH THAT FAR AND IT'S BETTER TO HAND IT OVER TO THE POLICE.

BUT I RESTRAINED ME & WHO WANTED TO FOLLOW THEM

KYU AND KINTA STRAIGHT AWAY CHASED HER...

FAUL!

...

WHAT IS THE ACTION WE SHOULD DO IN THIS CASE?

THE THING I WANT TO ASK YOU SIR IS...

IN SUCH CONDITION, RYU'S OPINION AND HIS CALM ACT LIKE THAT...

THE THING WHICH DRIVES YOU TO DO THAT DANGEROUS ACT WILL REFLECT DDS' POSITION

FIRST OF ALL, I'M GOING TO ANSWER IT..

AS A DDS PRINCIPAL,

TCH

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CAN BE SAID CORRECT...

CHEH''

RYU'S ACTION WHICH IMMEDIATELY GIVING INSTRUCTION TO POLICE TO PREVENT THE SPREADING OF VIRUS..

IS A SKILL TO TAKE DECISION AND ACT, A THING THAT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO BE POSSESSED BY A DETECTIVE

HOWEVER,

KYU'S AND KINTA'S ACT...

!!

ALSO SHOWS THE ABSOLUTE THINGS THAT SHOULD BE POSSESSED BY A DETECTIVE

WHICH ARE, JUSTICE AND COURAGE...!

IN THIS CASE, EACH ONE OF YOU HAS COMPLICATED OPINIONS

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MR DAN! CAN I ASK SOMETHING?

WHAT IS IT, KYU?

FOR THAT, I WANT YOU ALL INDIVIDUALLY TO START DIGESTING IT AS SOMETHING YOU ALL LEARN IN THIS SCHOOL

BUT, STARTING NOW . YOU ALL WILL START A NEW CHOICE WHICH IS MORE DIFFICULT WHICH YOU ALL WILL GAIN THROUGH EXPERIENCE...

OF COURSE I WILL CHASE THE CULPRIT

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KYU!

AHH AHH

IN A SITUATION LIKE THAT?

WHAT WILL YOU DO.

!!

!

THAT THE TUBE WHICH WAS CARRIED THAT GIRL IS EMPTY!

WHY? BECAUSE IN ONE LOOK I ALREADY KNOW...

THE STORY ABOUT THE TUBE CONTAINING THAT VIRUS...

WE DON'T KNOW IF IT'S HIS PURE LIE OR IT'S JUST HER SUSPICION AS A GIRL

BECAUSE, AS A MATTER OF FACT, 50 YEARS ALREADY HAVE PASSED SINCE THE VIRUS WAS FOUND.

ACCORDING TO SCIENCE THEORY, IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO HAVE VIRUS THAT CAN STAND INSIDE A TUBE FOR 50 YEARS

ACTUALLY, YOU HAVEN'T CHECKED IT, BUT. ?

W, WHY!?

TO PREVENT SOMETHING RUNNING, IT'S NATURAL IF HE RAN AWAY

OH! THAT POCKET BOOK IS VERY AMAZING, HUH!

JUST ONLY SEEING IT, THE POLICES WERE AL- READY PALE! IT'S REALLY CONVENIENT ...

D.D.S

REGARDING THIS DDS POCKET BOOK

BY THE WAY

THERE'S SOMETHING I HAVE TO DISCUSS WITH YOU ALL.

IDIOT!!

DO YOU ALL THINK BY SHOWING THIS BOOK, POLICE'S WILL BOW DOWN?

WHAT DO YOU ALL MEAN BY CONVENIENT!?

BECAUSE OF MY OWN EFFORT, I GAINED TRUST FROM POLICE TO GET INVOLVED IN CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATION

FIRST TIME I OPENED THE DETECTIVE OFFICE, ME DAN MORIHIKO DIDN'T HAVE THIS BOOK AT ALL

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DO YOU ALL THINK YOU CAN SURPASS ME WITH ONLY SITTING DOWN RELAXING?

EVEN THOUGH IT WAS A BENDY ROAD, I ALREADY GIVE FULL TRUST FOR YOU ALL AS SUCCESSORS

SHOWING SOMETHING THAT IMPORTANT WITHOUT UNDERSTANDING THE MEANING IS AN ACT THAT'S NONSENSE!!

FOR ME, AND MANY OF YOUR SENIORS, THIS BOOK IS A SYMBOL OF TRUST AND MERIT!

NO ONE UNDERSTANDS HOW SCARY A CRIMINAL IS

IN ANY KIND OF DANGEROUS SITUATION, A DDS MEMBER CAN'T TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS SPECIALTY!

DON'T FORGET! FOR CULPRITS, DETECTIVE IS AN ENEMY THAT HAS TO BE ALWAYS LOOKED OUT!!

AS LONG AS YOU'RE IN THE CRIME SCENE. YOU ALL MUST LOCATE THIS BOOK FAR-AWAY FROM THE RISK BEING FOUND OUT BY OTHER PEOPLE

UNDERSTAND?

ONE MORE THING!

REMEMBER THAT AND USE IT WISELY!

THIS BOOK IS YOUR ACE CARD!

FORGIVE US...

Y YES

EXCEPT FOR BUMPY SITUATION, DON'T EVER TAKE OUT THIS BOOK EVEN IF IT'S IN FRONT OF POLICE EVER!

UNDERSTAND?

MR DAN...

WEREN'T YOU JUST TOO HARD JUST NOW?

FUUUH

!!

THAT'S CORRECT, MR DAN

THEY'VE ALREADY TRIED HARD

FOR THIS FIRST CASE...

OH! WELCOME!

STILL USING THAT DISGUISE?

ALWAYS WATCH THEIR HARD WORK WITH A SMILE...

!?

ACTUALLY I, KIRIHARA MASAE,

BUT, MY REAL FORM IS...

THEN, IN OTHER TIME

I WAS ONLY A CACTUS IN SOME HOUSE

FU FU FU

KIRIHARA MASAE SERVANT OF RYOZANPAKU IN HYOTAN VILLAGE!

AT ONE TIME, I'M ONLY AN ORDINARY WITNESS.

.. IN OTHER TIME,

I WAS A POLICE THAT WAS ONLY SHOWING HIS FEET

AND QUIETLY ALWAYS WATCHING OUT THE MOVEMENT OF Q CLASS!!

THE MAN WHO IS MENTIONED AS THE RIGHT HAND OF THE FAMOUS DETECTIVE DAN MORIHIKO...

UHM.

YOU ALONE WHO SAID IT RIGHT

YOUR HAIR IS STILL MESSY!

AH ...

SUPERVISOR, HUH. THANKS A LOT, NANAMI !

HA HA HA

NO PROBLEM! I WAS ALSO ENJOYING IT VERY MUCH, MR. DAN!

EVEN THOUGH ACTUALLY I ALSO WANTED TO SOLVE THIS QUITE HEAVY CASE.

WHO JUST CAME BACK FROM DUTY WATCHING OVER Q CLASS!!

NANAMI KOTARO !!

THORNS !!

THERE ARE THORNS IN YOUR WORDS, YA KNOW!

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OH? EVEN YOU WOULD HUMBLE YOURSELF LIKE THAT?

BUT... IT TURNS OUT THOSE BRATS ARE QUITE AMAZING! EVEN A PROFESSIONAL LIKE ME WOULDN'T BE SURE TO SOLVE IT THAT FAST ..

HEY, HEY SHINO!

CHASING THE CULPRIT WHO'S ACTUALLY ONLY CARRYING AN EMPTY TUBE

SEEING THOSE NAIVE BRATS....

BUT... IT'S QUITE FUNNY

BESIDES ME, IT TURNS OUT THERE'S ANOTHER ONE WHO KNOWS THAT THE TUBE WAS ACTUALLY EMPTY...

OH, YEAH? WHO?

BY THE WAY,

ALLOW ME TO COME BACK WATCHING OVER THEM, MR DAN!

UN-DER-STAND!

BUT WITH A CONDITION THAT YOU CAN'T GET YOUR HANDS IN THEIR IN-VESTIGATION

RYU?

.....

THAT BOY NAMED RYU.

THERE'S NO MISTAKE! HE ALREADY REALIZED IT!

WELL! CLEARLY ...

BUT WHY ARE YOU TELLING THIS MATTER ?

HE REALLY IS A SLY KID!

THAT QUESTION JUST NOW WAS, AS IF LIKE A TRAP TO TEST YOU, MR. DAN.

ONCE HE KNOWS IT, HE STRAIGHT AWAY RESTRAINED HIS FRIENDS AND GIVING DIRECTIONS TO POLICE

HE'S THE TYPE WHO'S DIFFICULT TO GET ALONG WITH!

COMPARED TO THE OTHER FOUR KIDS,

MAYBE THAT BOY NAMED AMAKUSA RYU...

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IT'S LIKE A TIME BOMB THAT'S READY TO EXPLODE...

MAYBE IT'S LIKE THAT!

WHY, YOU'RE ALSO THINKING LIKE THAT ...?

TIME BOMB, HUH...

WON'T THERE BE ANY PROBLEM? CHOOSING THAT WEIRD STUDENT TO SIT IN Q CLASS AND BECOMING YOUR SUCCESSOR!

IS TRUE.

BUT... HOW HE'S A GENIUS THAT'S DIFFICULT TO FIND HIS MATCH,

IT REALLY IS SOMETHING THAT'S PLEASING ...!

EACH OF THEM ALSO HAS A SPECIAL TALENT.

THEN, THE OTHER FOUR KIDS...

NO...

WHAT CAN IT BE...?

INSIDE OF ME...

SIR ...!?

KYU...

WHO EXACTLY IS THAT CHILD...?

EVERY ACTION AND WORD OF THAT KID NAMED KYU...

AS IF IT'S CALLING SOMETHING INSIDE MY HEART...!

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